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OXFORD, NORTH CAROLINA
1940



THOMAS J. HARKINS
Grand Master 1940-41

THOMAS JOSHUA HARKINS

Elected and installed Grand Master April 17, 1940. Born Hominy Valley, Buncombe County, North Carolina, January 15, 1879. Son of Herschel S. Harkins and Sarah Jane Jones Harkins. Is of English, Scotch-Irish, and Welch ancestry. Two of his great, great grandfathers, Zachariah Candler and Captain William Moore, were among the very first settlers in Western North Carolina. (Details of ancestry and personal history are given in Biographies of Grand Masters, published by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina and incorporated in Grand Lodge Proceedings.)

Educated in the public schools of Buncombe County and the City of Asheville, and at the University of North Carolina. Licensed as an attorney at law in 1901. Senior member of firm of Harkins, Van Winkle & Walton, Attorneys, Asheville. Married Miss Roxy Seevers, of Ocoola, Missouri, December, 1904. One son, Herschel S. Harkins, (adopted nephew), now law student at University of North Carolina.

MASONIC RECORD: Initiated, passed and raised in Western Star Lodge, No. 46, Weatherford, Oklahoma, 1902. Received the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, 4th to 32nd inclusive, at Guthrie, Oklahoma, January, 1904, as a member of the "Statehood Class." Initiated into the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 1904. Demitted to Mt. Hermon Lodge, No. 118, Asheville, December, 1911, and in 1926 was elected Master of Mt. Hermon Lodge, having served as Junior and Senior Wardens of Western Star Lodge in Oklahoma. - In October, 1913, received the investiture of the rank and decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor by the Supreme Council of 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the Southern Jurisdiction, and in October, 1915, received the rank and dignity of Inspector General Honorary of the Thirty-third Degree. In 1918 he was appointed Deputy in North Carolina of the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and in October, 1921, was elected Sovereign Grand Inspector General and active member of the Supreme Council for North Carolina, which position he still occupies. Held various offices in the Supreme Council of the Thirty-third Degree, and at the 1939 session of that Council was elected Grand Chancellor.

Received the degrees in Asheville Chapter, No. 25, Royal Arch Masons, November 16, 1922; and of Ionic Council, No. 9, Royal and Select Masters, March 16, 1923; created Knight Templar and knighted in Cyrene Commandery, No. 5, Asheville, March 19, 1926.

—M. E. H.

Proceedings
OF THE
GRAND LODGE
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Of North Carolina



1940

PAST GRAND MASTERS

A LIST OF THE PAST GRAND MASTERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA FROM 1787 TO 1939 INCLUSIVE AND DATES WHEN ELECTED

*Samuel Johnston -----1787	*Henry F. Grainger---1880, '81
*Richard Caswell -----1788	*Robert Bingham-1882, '83, '84
*Samuel Johnston-1789, '90, '91	*Fabius H. Busbee-----1885, '86
*Wm. R. Davie-----1792, '93	*C. H. Robinson -----1887, '88
'94, '95, '96, '97, '98	*Samuel H. Smith-----1889, '90
*William Polk---1799, 1800, '01	*Hezekiah A. Gudger--1891, '92
*John L. Taylor--1802, '03, '04	*John W. Cotten-----1893, '94
*John Hall-----1805, '06, '07	*Francis M. Moye-----1895, '96
*Benjamin Smith-1808, '09, '10	*Walter E. Moore-----1897, '98
*Robert Williams--1811, '12, '13	*Richard J. Noble-----1899
*John L. Taylor--1814, '15, '16	*B. S. Royster-----1900, '01
*Calvin Jones ----1817, '18, '19	*H. I. Clark-----1902, '03
*John A. Cameron---1820, '21	*W. S. Liddell-----1904, '05
*James Strudwick Smith-1822	Francis D. Winston--1906, '07
*Robert Strange-----1823, '24	*Samuel M. Gattis-----1908, '09
*H. G. Burton-----1825, '26	*Richard N. Hackett--1910, '11
*L. D. Wilson-----1827, '28, '29	*W. B. McKoy-----1912
*R. D. Speight, Jr.---1830, '31	*F. M. Winchester-----1913
*S. J. Baker-----1832	*Jno. T. Alderman-----1914
*S. F. Patterson-----1833, '34	F. P. Hobgood, Jr.-----1915
*L. H. Martseller-----1835, '36	A. B. Andrews, Jr.-----1916
*D. W. Stone-----1837, '38, '39	Claude L. Pridgen-----1917
*S. J. Baker-----1840	*George S. Norfleet-----1918
*D. L. Crenshaw-----1841	Henry A. Grady-----1919
*J. H. Wheeler-----1842, '43	*James C. Braswell-----1920
*P. W. Fanning--1844, '45, '46	J. Bailey Owen-----1921
*W. F. Collins-----1847, '48, '49	*James H. Webb-----1922
*A. T. Jerkins-----1850, '51, '52	Hubert McN. Poteat-----1923
*Clement H. Jordan--1853, '54	James LeG. Everett-----1924
*P. A. Holt-----1855, '56	*Leon Cash-----1925
*Alfred Martin-----1857, '58	*John E. Cameron-----1926
*Lewis S. Williams--1859, '60	John H. Anderson-----1927
*W. G. Hill-----1861	Raymond C. Dunn-----1928
*E. F. Watson-----1862, '63	John J. Phoenix-----1929
*John McCormick -----1864	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.---1930
*E. J. Reade-----1865, '66	J. W. Winborne-----1931
*R. W. Best-----1867	H. C. Alexander-----1932
*Robert B. Vance-----1868, '69	P. T. Wilson-----1933
*Charles C. Clark-----1870, '71	*R. F. Ebbs-----1934
*John Nichols-----1872, '73	C. B. Newcomb-----1935
*George W. Blount--1874, '75	J. Giles Hudson-----1936
*Horace H. Munson--1876, '77	Watson N. Sherrod-----1937
*William R. Cox-----1878, '79	Harry T. Paterson-----1938
	J. Edward Allen-----1939

* Deceased.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH
CAROLINA FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1941

ELECTIVE OFFICERS

M. W. Thomas J. Harkins	Grand Master	Asheville
R. W. Charles P. Eldridge	Deputy Grand Master	Raleigh
R. W. James E. Shipman	Senior Grand Warden	Hendersonville
R. W. James W. Payne	Junior Grand Warden	Salisbury
R. W. Her. C. Alexander	Grand Treasurer	Charlotte
R. W. John H. Anderson	Grand Secretary	Raleigh

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS

W. Wilbur G. McFarland	Grand Chaplain	Asheville
W. Z. V. Snipes	Grand Lecturer	Dunn
W. Julius C. Hobbs	Senior Grand Deacon	Wilmington
W. Clyde H. Jarrett	Junior Grand Deacon	Andrews
W. William J. Bundy	Grand Marshal	Greenville
W. Luther T. Hartsell, Jr.	Grand Steward	Concord
W. Maxwell E. Hoffman	Grand Steward	Asheville
W. Fred F. Harding	Grand Tiler	Raleigh
W. K. W. Parham	Grand Auditor	Raleigh
W. J. Edward Allen	Grand Historian	Warrenton
W. Clyde A. Erwin	Grand Orator	Raleigh
W. Rev. Wm. C. Cravner	Hon. Grand Orator	Asheville
W. Wm. R. Smith	Asst. Grand Secretary	Raleigh

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

P. G. M. Harry T. Paterson, Wilmington (Chairman)	1941
P. G. M. Hubert M. Poteat, Wake Forest	1941
P. G. M. Raymond C. Dunn, Enfield	1942
P. G. M. Francis D. Winston, Windsor	1943
P. G. M. J. Wallace Winborne, Raleigh	1944

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

Thomas J. Harkins, <i>Grand Master</i>	
Z. V. Snipes, <i>Grand Lecturer</i>	
S. N. Boyce (Chairman), Gastonia	1941
Charles B. Newcomb, Wilmington	1942
James E. Shipman, Hendersonville	1943

ASSISTANT GRAND LECTURERS

P. C. Stott—First District	Wendell
J. W. Patten—Second District	Elon College
J. F. Marquette—Third District	Statesville
W. D. Wilder—Fourth District	Weaverville

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OXFORD ORPHANAGE

Thos. J. Harkins (1941); R. C. Dunn (1942); J. W. Winborne

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA

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(1943); A. B. Andrews (1944); L. T. Hartsell, Jr. (1945), and the first four officers. Appointed by the Governor: R. L. Flowers, Ben Cone, T. L. Simmons.

DIRECTORS N. C. MASONIC FOUNDATION

A. B. Andrews (1941); J. H. Anderson (1942); H. C. Alexander (1943); R. C. Dunn (1944); E. W. Timberlake (1945).

DIRECTORS MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME

E. R. Ford (1941); W. H. Haliburton (1941); William M. York (1942); W. R. Smith (1942); J. J. Phoenix (1943); W. P. Henley (1943); Ben Cone (1944); J. Howard Brown (1944); J. S. McEachern (1945); J. E. Latham (1945).

REPRESENTATIVE TO GEORGE WASHINGTON MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

J. Edward Allen-----Warrenton

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

J. Edward Allen-----Warrenton

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

No. 1—Elizabeth City	-----	Roscoe M. Wynn (317)	-----	Eliza. City
No. 2—Windsor	-----	S. E. Phelps (5)	-----	Windsor
No. 3—Plymouth	-----	F. T. Paul (104)	-----	Washington
No. 4—Halifax	-----	J. Exum Bellamy (447)	-----	Enfield
No. 5—Greenville	-----	J. T. Bundy (517)	-----	Farmville
No. 6—Kinston	-----	L. H. Gillikin (112)	-----	Goldsboro
No. 7—New Bern	-----	James A. Ipöck, Jr. (583)	-----	Cove City
No. 8—Consolidated	-----	(Jacksonville District)	-----	
No. 9—Clinton	-----	H. McN. Johnson (595)	-----	Willard
No. 10—Wilmington	-----	John S. McEachern (1)	-----	Wilmington
No. 11—Lumberton	-----	Dr. R. T. Allen (114)	-----	Lumberton
No. 12—Rockingham	-----	R. E. Yongue, Jr. (305)	-----	Laurinburg
No. 13—Sanford	-----	W. L. McIver (151)	-----	Sanford
No. 14—Fayetteville	-----	Hugh Prince (147)	-----	Dunn
No. 15—Raleigh	-----	J. M. Turley (191)	-----	Clayton
No. 16—Apex	-----	L. G. Jordan (584)	-----	Apex
No. 17—Wilson	-----	Arthur S. Chesson (117)	-----	Wilson
No. 18—Rocky Mount	-----	D. Ernest Bulluck (602)	-----	Rocky Mt.
No. 19—Henderson	-----	Dr. H. A. Newell (229)	-----	Henderson
No. 20—Oxford	-----	D. S. Johnson (122)	-----	Oxford
No. 21—Durham	-----	Lon G. Turner (409)	-----	Burlington
No. 22—(Consolidated)	-----	(Reidsville)	-----	
No. 23—Greensboro	-----	E. T. Howard (344)	-----	High Point
No. 24—Asheboro	-----	C. H. Caviness (188)	-----	Asheboro
No. 25—Salisbury	-----	Thomas O. Kepley (99)	-----	Salisbury
No. 26—Monroe	-----	S. Henry Green (244)	-----	Monroe
No. 27—Charlotte	-----	Murray C. Alexander (530)	-----	

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No. 28—Gastonia	Dr. C. H. Pugh (369)	Gastonia
No. 29—Statesville	R. E. Levan (27)	Statesville
No. 30—Winston-Salem	E. E. Maddrey (289)	
	Hanes Knit. Co., Winston-Salem	
No. 31—Elkin District	A. B. Macon (322)	Mount Airy
No. 32—(Consolidated)		
No. 33—Wilkesboro	J. W. Nichols (407)	No. Wilkesboro
No. 34—Jefferson	R. F. Crouse (423)	Sparta
No. 35—(Consolidated)		
No. 36—Hickory	R. I. Thompson (343)	Hickory
No. 37—Shelby	E. L. Weathers (534)	Shelby
No. 38—Hendersonville	Karl A. Muschette (446)	
	P. O. Box 146, Oteen	
No. 39—Asheville	Wm. B. Ferguson (170)	Weaverville
No. 40—Spruce Pine	Roy A. Harmon (598)	Elk Park
No. 41—Waynesville	C. B. Hosaflook (259)	Waynesville
No. 42—Sylva	M. Y. Jarrett (459)	Dillsboro
No. 43—Murphy	H. L. Mulkey (529)	Andrews
No. 44—Rutherfordton	Fred C. Kinzie (91)	Spindale

STANDING COMMITTEES

Jurisprudence—E. W. Timberlake (282), Chairman; J. W. Winborne (237), F. D. Winston (5), J. Giles Hudson (576), Chas. B. Newcomb (1), Clyde H. Jarrett (529), W. J. Bundy (284), L. T. Hartsell, Jr. (32), James W. Payne (543), John S. McEachern (1), Maxwell E. Hoffman (118).

Finance—A. B. Andrews (218), Chairman; P. T. Wilson (167), C. P. Eldridge (218), Jas. E. Shipman (387), Julius C. Hobbs (1), Watson N. Sherrod (447), W. B. Hodge (31), Lester H. Gillikin (112), E. R. Ford (76), D. E. Buckner (76).

Oxford Orphanage—Chas. P. Eldridge (218), Ex-officio; Jas. E. Shipman (387), Ex-officio; Dr. W. E. Caldwell (408), W. L. McIver (151), J. E. Rooker (10).

Appeals—Henry L. Taylor (1), Chairman; T. O. Kepley (99), Harrison Kauffman (40), E. T. Howard (344), R. I. Thompson (343), William C. McConnell (650), Roscoe M. Wynn (317).

Masonic and E. S. Home—J. Edward Allen (10), Chairman; Watson N. Sherrod (447), M. Y. Jarrett (459), Michel Saliba (117), Wm. B. Hodge (31).

Masonic Temple—F. D. Winston (5), E. W. Yates (218), M. F. McKeel, Jr. (104), E. W. Timberlake (282), R. T. Allen (114), A. B. Andrews (218), R. C. Dunn (447), Frank I. Watson (40), J. H. Anderson (8), D. K. Medford (453), H. M. Foy (322), D. E. Bulluck (602), C. B. Shulenburg (500), J. R. McCracken (259).

By-Laws—John H. Anderson (8).

Charters and Dispensations—D. E. Bulluck (602), Chairman; R. E. Levan (27), George W. Allee (568).

Credentials—C. C. Ricker (118), J. L. Brown (650), J. Walter McRary (665).

Charity—A. O. Alford (218).

Necrology—Rev. Harvey A. Cox (129).

Masonic Loan Fund—for Grand Lodge, W. B. Hodge (1943), Chairman; for Grand Chapter, W. R. Smith, Secretary; for Grand Commandery, Ross E. Shumaker; for the Scottish Rite, Thos. J. Harkins.

Masonic Education—W. E. Caldwell (408), Chairman; Halsey B. Leavitt (118), F. M. Pinnix (122), H. H. McLean (59), Murray C. Alexander (530).

Lodge Service Commission—Chas. B. Newcomb (1), J. Giles Hudson (576), W. J. Bundy, Jr. (284), D. S. Johnson (122), W. L. McIver (151), T. J. Ingram (262), Dr. B. W. Fox (31), D. K. Medford (453), J. E. Shipman (387).

Committee on Lecture Service—Thos. J. Harkins, John H. Anderson, Zeb V. Snipes, S. N. Boyce, Chairman.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Raleigh, N. C. April 16, 1940

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina convened in its One Hundred and Fifty-third Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple in Raleigh, on Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, and was opened in ample form by M. W. J. Edward Allen, Grand Master, presiding, it appearing that a constitutional number of lodges were represented.

Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

M. W. J. EDWARD ALLEN	Grand Master
R. W. THOMAS J. HARKINS	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. CHARLES P. ELDRIDGE	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. JAMES E. SHIPMAN	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. H. C. ALEXANDER	Grand Treasurer
R. W. J. H. ANDERSON	Grand Secretary
W. REV. J. A. EASLEY	Grand Chaplain
W. Z. V. SNIPES	Grand Lecturer
W. JAMES W. PAYNE	Senior Grand Deacon
W. JULIUS C. HOBBS	Junior Grand Deacon
W. CLYDE H. JARRETT	Grand Marshal
W. WILLIAM J. BUNDY	Grand Steward
W. LUTHER J. HARTSELL, JR.	Grand Steward
W. FRED F. HARDING	Grand Tiler
W. W. R. SMITH	Assistant Grand Secretary
W. K. W. PARHAM	Grand Auditor
W. HUBERT M. POTEAT	Grand Orator

PAST GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

A. B. Andrews, H. M. Poteat, J. H. Anderson, R. C. Dunn, J. J. Phoenix, E. W. Timberlake, J. W. Winborne, H. C. Alexander, P. T. Wilson, C. B. Newcomb, J. Giles Hudson, Watson N. Sherrod, Harry T. Paterson.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

F. D. Winston, Chas. B. Newcomb, H. M. Poteat, R. C. Dunn

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

H. M. Poteat, J. E. Shipman, S. N. Boyce

ASSISTANT GRAND LECTURERS

P. C. Stott, J. W. Patton, J. F. Marquette, W. D. Wilder

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

1—Roscoe M. Wynn	Elizabeth City
2—S. E. Phelps	Windsor
3—F. T. Paul	Washington
4—J. Exum Bellamy	Enfield
5—J. T. Bundy	Farmville
6—L. H. Gillikin	Goldsboro
7—Jas. A. Ipock	Cove City
9—H. McN. Johnson	Willard
10—John S. McEachern	Wilmington
11—Dr. R. T. Allen	Lumberton
12—R. E. Yongue, Jr.	Laurinburg
13—W. L. McIver	Sanford
14—Hugh W. Prince	Dunn
15—J. M. Turley	Clayton
16—L. G. Jordan	Apex
17—A. S. Chesson	Wilson
18—D. E. Bulluck	Rocky Mount
19—Dr. H. A. Newell	Henderson
20—D. S. Johnson	Oxford
21—Lon G. Turner	Burlington
23—E. T. Howard	High Point
25—Thomas O. Kepley	Salisbury
26—S. H. Green	Monroe
27—M. C. Alexander	Charlotte
28—Dr. C. H. Pugh	Gastonia
29—R. E. Levan	Statesville
31—A. B. Macon	Mt. Airy
33—J. W. Nichols	North Wilkesboro
36—R. I. Thompson	Hickory
37—E. L. Weathers	Shelby, R-5
38—Karl A. Muschette	Oteen, Box 146
39—Wm. B. Ferguson	Weaverville
40—Roy A. Harmon	Elk Park
41—C. B. Hosaflook	Waynesville
42—M. Y. Jarrett	Sylva
43—H. L. Mulkey	Andrews
44—Fred C. Kinzie	Spindale

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Alabama	D. E. Bulluck	Rocky Mount
Arizona	Frank C. Abernethy	Gastonia
Arkansas	J. S. McEachern	Wilmington
Colorado	W. N. Sherrod	Enfield
Connecticut	S. N. Boyce	Gastonia
Delaware	A. B. Goetze	High Point
District of Columbia	E. W. Timberlake	Wake Forest
Florida	W. L. McIver	Sanford
Idaho	H. W. Pickett	Durham

Illinois	P. T. Wilson	Winston-Salem
Indiana	A. W. Harris	Greenville
Kansas	Z. V. Snipes	Dunn
Kentucky	R. E. Levan	Statesville
Louisiana	J. W. Winborne	Raleigh
Maine	F. F. Harding	Raleigh
Massachusetts	L. T. Hartsell, Jr.	Concord
Michigan	Harry T. Paterson	Wilmington
Minnesota	F. D. Winston	Windsor
Mississippi	H. M. Brandon	Winston-Salem
Montana	C. H. Pugh	Gastonia
Nevada	J. E. Shipman	Hendersonville
New Hampshire	C. A. Graham	Ramseur
New Jersey	J. H. Anderson	Raleigh
New York	R. C. Dunn	Enfield
North Dakota	K. W. Parham	Raleigh
Oklahoma	J. F. Marquette	Statesville
Rhode Island	J. W. Patton	Elon College
Tennessee	Herbert C. Alexander	Charlotte
Utah	J. W. Bundy	Greenville
Vermont	C. T. McClenaghan	Raleigh
Virginia	Thomas J. Harkins	Asheville
West Virginia	F. M. Pinnix	Oxford
Wisconsin	R. K. Stewart	High Point

REPRESENTATIVES FOREIGN GRAND LODGES

Alpina, Switzerland	H. M. Foy	Mt. Airy
British Columbia	J. P. Ashby	Winston-Salem
Amazonas E. Acre, Brazil	Leon Godown	Concord
Minas Gereas, Brazil	C. H. Jarrett	Andrews
Para, Brazil	M. F. McKeel	Washington
Parahyba, Brazil	Dr. Verne S. Caviness	Raleigh
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	R. E. Yongue	Laurinburg
Canada	H. M. Poteat	Wake Forest
Chili	L. L. Thomas	Jonesboro
Colombia, Bogota	D. K. Medford	Clyde
Czecho-Slovakia	J. Howard Brown	Tarboro
Cuba	H. E. Thompson	Stantonsburg
England	A. B. Andrews	Raleigh
G. O. of Greece	J. C. Hobbs	Wilmington
G. L. Less. Zu-Den Drei Rin.	Ross E. Shumaker	Raleigh
Honduras	Dr. R. T. Allen	Lumberton
Jugo Slavia	J. E. English	Morehead City
G. L. Benito Jaurez Coahuila	D. S. Johnson	Oxford
Chiapas	Hubert Eddins	Zebulon
Nuevo Leon	L. G. Jordan	Apex
El Potosi, San Luis	Chas. M. Walker	Hillsboro
York G. L.	J. T. Ingram	Lenoir
La Orien. Peninsular	P. E. G. Renningar	Winston-Salem

National of Denmark	L. H. Gillikin	Goldsboro
National of Egypt	Dr. M. Saliba	Wilson
New Brunswick	W. D. Wilder	Weaverville
New South Wales	J. W. Nichols	North Wilkesboro
Norway	R. L. Pope	Thomasville
Norway, G. L. Norske, Pol.	Henry L. Taylor	Wilmington
Panama	J. Edward Allen	Warrenton
Peru	A. O. Alford	Raleigh
Prince Edward Island	A. S. Chesson	Wilson
Quebec	Roy A. Harmon	Elk Park
Queensland	J. W. Payne	Salisbury
Republic of Guatemala	J. G. Hudson	Salisbury
Saskatchewan	H. A. Newell	Henderson
Scotland	Wm. R. Smith	Raleigh
South Australia	C. B. Newcomb	Wilmington
Sweden	Charles P. Eldridge	Raleigh
Tasmania	W. H. White	Sanford
Uruguay	M. C. Alexander	Charlotte
Venezuela	R. K. McNeely	Mooresville
Victoria	H. Kauffman	Raleigh
Vienna, Austria	H. A. Cox	Mayodan
Western, Australia	John J. Phoenix	Greensboro
Masonic Federation		
Roumania	F. I. Watson	Raleigh

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

We were pleased to have the following distinguished visitors, who were introduced and received with Masonic Honors:

Melvin M. Johnson, Past Grand Master of Mass.
 Needham C. Turnage, Grand Master of Dist. of Col.
 Whiting Estes, Grand Marshal of Dist. of Col.
 Harold W. Browning, Grand Master of Rhode Island.
 Clarence D. Freeman, Deputy Grand Master of Va.
 James M. Clift, Grand Secretary of Va.
 A. J. M. Wannamaker, Sr. Grand Warden of South Carolina.
 O. Frank Hart, Grand Secretary of South Carolina.

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

St. John's.....No. 1—Andrew H. Harriss, Jr., Master; E. T. Hancock, S. W.; C. E. Hill, J. W.
 St. John's.....No. 3—Harry Lipman, Master; J. M. Spivey, proxy for S. W.; L. A. Stith, J. W.
 St. John's.....No. 4—M. V. Harlan, Master and proxy for S. W.; W. A. Evans, J. W.

Charity-----	No. 5—	B. E. Grant, Master; W. S. Smith, S. W.; A. J. Yates, proxy for J. W.
Unanimity-----	No. 7—	Jack B. Pollock, proxy for Master; B. F. Britton, S. W.; S. C. Mills, proxy for J. W.
Phoenix-----	No. 8—	R. W. Boling, Master; M. T. Foster, S. W.; C. D. Johnston, proxy for J. W.
Johnston-Caswell---	No. 10—	Harry Cohen, Master; L. O. Robertson, S. W.; J. E. Rooker, Jr., J. W.
Caswell Broth'h'd---	No. 11—	J. A. Wrenn, proxy for Master and S. W.; W. C. Jackson, proxy for J. W.
St. John's-----	No. 13—	G. M. Honeycutt, Master; Amos R. Brinson, proxy for S. W.; and R. C. Wells, J. W.
American George---	No. 17—	Moses T. Moye, Master; H. C. Council, S. W.; T. M. Condon, proxy for J. W.
Eagle-----	No. 19—	G. G. Bivins, Master and proxy for J. W.; and Wallace H. Boland, S. W.
Statesville-----	No. 27—	R. E. Levan, proxy for Officers.
Phalanx-----	No. 31—	Charles W. Bundy, Master; J. Van Davis, S. W.; Ernest S. Rothrock, J. W.
Stokes-----	No. 32—	Leon Godown, proxy for Officers.
Davie-----	No. 39—	H. B. Spruill, S. W.; and proxy for Master and J. W.
Hiram-----	No. 40—	Sam M. Young, Sr., Master; Adam A. Husman, S. W.; Douglas O. Pike, J. W.
Liberty-----	No. 45—	Ed Crysel, proxy for Master; S. R. Laws, J. W.; and proxy for S. W.
Hall-----	No. 53—	W. D. Barnard, Master; O. M. Wynn proxy for S. W. and J. W.
King Solomon-----	No. 56—	Harvey D. Hart, Sec'y., proxy for Officers.
Concord-----	No. 58—	W. D. Wagner, Master; W. Lee Page, S. W.; S. D. Bundy, J. W.
Perseverance-----	No. 59—	J. W. Darden, proxy for Officers.
Greensboro-----	No. 76—	Early W. Bridges, proxy for S. W.; W. S. Young, proxy for Master and J. W.
Fellowship-----	No. 84—	J. Roy Keen, Master; R. S. Smith, S. W.; J. A. Massey, J. W.
Morning Star-----	No. 85—	J. J. Joyner, proxy for Officers.

Skewarkee-----	No. 90—	S. Harcam Grimes, proxy for Officers.
Joseph Warren-----	No. 92—	N. P. Coley, Master and proxy for J. W.; E. C. Bynum, S. W.
Jerusalem-----	No. 95—	J. H. Whitaker, proxy for Master; B. F. Scarborough, S. W.; and proxy for J. W.
Neuse-----	No. 97—	J. E. Green, Master; J. J. Sandlin, S. W.; J. H. Norwood, J. W.
Hiram-----	No. 98—	Wm. G. King, Master; B. A. Sutton, S. W.; N. P. Parker, J. W.
Fulton-----	No. 99—	M. C. Brown, Master and proxy for S. W.; T. O. Kepley, proxy for J. W.
Columbus-----	No. 102—	J. A. Farrell, Master; A. D. Hartsell, proxy for S. W.; G. E. Moore, J. W.
Orr-----	No. 104—	M. F. McKeel, Jr., proxy for Officers.
Franklin-----	No. 109—	Wm. H. Bailey, Sec'y., proxy for Officers.
Wayne-----	No. 112—	C. H. Gurley, Master; G. B. Frank, S. W.; C. L. Powell, J. W.
Person-----	No. 113—	C. A. Harris, Master; O. Z. Gentry, Sec'y., proxy for S. W. and J. W.
St. Alban's-----	No. 114—	J. T. Covington, Master; R. T. Allen proxy for S. W.; J. F. Flowers, proxy for J. W.
Holly Springs-----	No. 115—	Roy Keith, Master; George P. Culphier, S. W.; T. B. Johnson, J. W.
Mt. Lebanon-----	No. 117—	James L. Hales, Sr., Master; L. S. Farmer, Jr., S. W.; J. L. Hales, Sr., proxy for J. W.
Mt. Hermon-----	No. 118—	Narvel J. Crawford, proxy for Officers.
Oxford-----	No. 122—	A. B. Overton, Master; V. W. Taylor, S. W.; D. S. Reynolds, J. W.
Franklinton-----	No. 123—	John T. Sawyer, Sec'y., proxy for Master and J. W.; W. W. Cooks, S. W.
Gatesville-----	No. 126—	W. Henry Overman, Master; H. L. Ward, S. W.; G. D. Gatling, proxy for J. W.
Hanks-----	No. 128—	E. C. Routh, Master; J. A. Wallace, S. W.; C. H. Julian, proxy for J. W.
Dan River-----	No. 129—	Harvey A. Cox, Master; J. W. Aldridge, proxy for S. W.; and Frank Morton, Jr., J. W.

- Radiance-----No. 132—Robt. L. Hart, proxy for Master and J. W.; Joe Edmundson, S. W.
- Mocksville-----No. 134—H. C. Meroney, Master; Z. N. Anderson, Sec'y., proxy for S. W.; L. H. Roane, J. W.
- Leaksville-----No. 136—B. E. Ivey, proxy for Master; G. T. Sykes, S. W.; J. T. Mitchell, proxy for J. W.
- Lincoln-----No. 137—Jas. A. Shuford, proxy for Master; A. E. Miller, S. W.; Evan L. Rudisill, proxy for J. W.
- King Solomon-----No. 138—S. H. Ingram, Master; O. G. Farrell, proxy for S. W.; W. S. Croom, J. W.
- Junaluskee-----No. 145—C. G. Moore, proxy for Master; Jas. Houser, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Palmyra-----No. 147—James W. Snipes Master; Z. V. Snipes, proxy for S. W.; Paul Strickland, J. W.
- Sanford-----No. 151—W. B. Burroughs, Master; W. G. McIver, S. W.; J. T. Davenport, Jr., J. W.
- Scotch-Ireland-----No. 154—G. W. Etheridge, Master; W. F. Thompson, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- White Stone-----No. 155—Hubert Eddins, proxy for Officers.
- Knap of Reeds-----No. 158—M. P. Sanford, proxy for Officers.
- Archer-----No. 165—E. W. Narron, Master; C. W. Houghtt, S. W.; J. S. Ward, J. W.
- Winston-----No. 167—I. G. Hicks, proxy for Master; R. P. Rawley, proxy for S. W.; J. A. Kimbrough, J. W.
- Blackmer-----No. 170—Stanley L. West, proxy for Officers.
- Colerain-----No. 171—C. S. Credle, Master and proxy for S. W.; J. K. Spruill, J. W.
- Buffalo-----No. 172—L. L. Thomas, proxy for Master; J. D. Pegram, S. W. and proxy for J. W.
- Geo. Washington-----No. 174—J. R. Matthews, Master and proxy for J. W.; L. J. Wilson, S. W.
- Carthage-----No. 181—E. H. Garrison, Jr., Master; S. W. Shields, proxy for S. W.; S. R. Hoyle proxy for J. W.
- Granite-----No. 191—R. Lawrence Cooper, Master; J. E. Nelson, S. W.; G. T. Page, J. W.
- Cary-----No. 198—R. O. Heater, Sec'y., proxy for Officers.

- Roanoke-----No. 203—W. T. Shaw, proxy for Master; A. W. Davis, Jr., S. W. and proxy for J. W.
- Mingo-----No. 206—A. E. Baggett, Master; W. R. Warren, J. W. and proxy for S. W.
- Mt. Olive-----No. 208—Paul G. Smith, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Eno-----No. 210—H. W. Pickett, proxy for Master; J. M. Mangum, proxy for S. W.; O. M. Brown, proxy for J. W.
- Thomasville-----No. 214—R. A. Hanes, Master; T. E. Witty, S. W.; Roy Proctor, proxy for J. W.
- Catawba Valley----No. 217—W. K. Keeter, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Wm. G. Hill-----No. 218—W. H. Anthony, Master; R. L. Edwards, S. W.; Karl B. Glenn, J. W.
- Henderson-----No. 229—J. M. Baity, Master; F. E. Pinnell, S. W.; M. N. Nordan, proxy for J. W.
- Corinthian-----No. 230—H. F. Hinson, Master; J. M. Baker, S. W.; J. B. Barnes, proxy for J. W.
- Lenoir-----No. 233—Wade H. Ferguson, Master; R. M. Adams, S. W.; E. B. Mann, J. W.
- Mystic Tie-----No. 237—V. E. Price, proxy for Master; V. E. Price, S. W.; W. R. Nesbit, proxy for J. W.
- Grifton-----No. 243—Richard A. Nelson, Master and proxy for J. W.; A. D. Wall, S. W.
- Monroe-----No. 244—G. B. McFarland, proxy for Master and S. W.; B. F. Langley, J. W.
- Lee-----No. 253—W. W. Harrington, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Kenly-----No. 257—E. V. Neighbors, Master; C. E. Gilikin, S. W.; J. W. Alford, proxy for J. W.
- Fuquay-----No. 258—C. D. Partin, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Waynesville-----No. 259—Floyd E. Burgess, Master; J. R. McCracken, proxy for S. W.; J. S. Davis, proxy for J. W.
- Excelsior-----No. 261—R. S. Locklair, proxy for Master; J. C. Smathers, S. W.; J. R. Keever, J. W.
- Hibriten-----No. 262—R. L. Bradley, Master; W. E. Stevens, proxy for S. W.; C. M. Abernethy, J. W.

- Farmington-----No. 265—C. W. Essex, proxy for Officers.
- Dunn's Rock-----No. 267—E. F. Gillespie, proxy for Officers.
- Tobasco-----No. 271—J. W. Patton, proxy for Officers.
- Beaver Dam-----No. 276—V. J. Whitley, Master; J. A. Russell,
proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Green Level-----No. 277—Rev. G. T. Mills, Master; J. T. Mills,
S. W.; W. C. Mills, J. W.
- Rehoboth-----No. 279—Kenneth Taylor, Master.
- Wake Forest-----No. 282—L. Owens Rea, Master; R. H. Branson,
S. W.; S. O. Rich, J. W.
- Eureka-----No. 283—B. B. Opock, proxy for Master and
J. W.; J. A. Opock, Sr., proxy for
S. W.
- Greenville-----No. 284—A. W. Harris, proxy for Officers.
- Salem-----No. 289—T. Archie Shreve, Master; E. F. W.
Neumann, S. W.; W. N. Batting,
proxy for J. W.
- Stonewall-----No. 296—S. W. Marshall, proxy for Master;
Earl M. Coburn, proxy for S. W.;
J. C. Taylor, J. W.
- Hunting Creek-----No. 299—T. L. Barnard, proxy for Officers.
- Lillington-----No. 302—J. O. Sutton, Master; D. A. Blalock,
S. W.; E. B. Cameron, J. W.
- Laurinburg-----No. 305—R. E. Yongue, Jr., proxy for Of-
ficers.
- New Lebanon-----No. 314—Robert F. Spence, J. W. and proxy
for Master and S. W.
- Eureka-----No. 317—James E. Blades, Master and proxy
for J. W.; R. L. Rollins, S. W.
- Wilmington-----No. 319—James E. L. Wade, proxy for Master;
Joseph P. Russ, S. W. and proxy for
J. W.
- Selma-----No. 320—E. C. Perry, Master, R. H. Griffin,
S. W.; and D. M. Clemmons, J. W.
- Granite-----No. 322—R. W. Walters, Master and proxy for
J. W.; D. W. Loftin, S. W.
- Bayboro-----No. 331—H. D. Potter, Master and proxy for
S. W.; K. L. Watson, proxy for J. W.
- Fairview-----No. 339—O. C. O'Farrell, proxy for Master and
S. W.; B. M. Ormand, proxy for
J. W.
- Harmony-----No. 340—L. R. Worrell, Master; B. F. Smith,
S. W.; Hardy Talton, J. W.
- Hickory-----No. 343—C. L. Ivory, Master; R. F. Coffey,
S. W.; A. H. Field, J. W.

- Numa F. Reid-----No. 344—John C. Turner, Master; G. C. Howard, proxy for S. W.; Isaac Fidler, proxy for J. W.
- Stanly-----No. 348—John B. Boyett, Master; W. L. Austin, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Durham-----No. 352—C. B. Jones, Master; I. E. Allen, S. W.; W. A. Bryan, J. W.
- Fallston-----No. 356—J. R. Lutz, S. W.; W. H. Lutz, J. W. and proxy for Master.
- Snow-----No. 363—W. W. Williams, Master and proxy for S. W.; Richard E. Kelly, J. W.
- Gastonia-----No. 369—J. S. Winget, proxy for Master, S. N. Boyce, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Ashler-----No. 373—A. F. Nichols, proxy for Master; W. C. Church, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Granville-----No. 380—C. D. Davis, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Reidsville-----No. 384—J. E. Fleming, S. W., and proxy for Master and J. W.
- Mooreboro-----No. 388—J. P. McSwain, proxy for Officers.
- Copeland-----No. 390—F. E. Bass, Master and proxy for J. W.; and J. G. Llewellyn, S. W.
- Orient-----No. 395—Joseph Holleman, proxy for Master, Samuel C. Woolvin, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Siler City-----No. 403—H. E. Stout, proxy for Master; J. S. Wren, proxy for S. W.; J. R. Light, J. W.
- Ocean-----No. 405—W. T. Davis, Master and proxy for J. W.; J. E. English, proxy for S. W.
- N. Wilkesboro-----No. 407—J. H. Rector, proxy for Master; T. C. Caudill, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- University-----No. 408—J. P. Jones, Master; W. B. Abernethy, S. W.; T. E. Hinson, J. W.
- Bula-----No. 409—W. L. Burke, Jr., Master; E. N. Pearce, proxy for S. W.; C. T. Ward, J. W.
- Louisburg-----No. 413—John F. Matthews, proxy for Master and J. W.; M. S. Davis, S. W.
- Potecasi-----No. 418—J. R. Bryant, Master; Simon Johnson, S. W.; W. M. Futrell, J. W.
- Harmon-----No. 420—Ralph W. Todd, proxy for Officers.
- Sparta-----No. 423—F. W. Royal, proxy for Officers.

- Stokesdale-----No. 428—P. P. Simpson, Master; W. H. Simpson, proxy for S. W.; S. E. Adcock, Jr., proxy for J. W.
- Relief-----No. 431—E. M. Cannady, Master and proxy for S. W.; A. M. Stephenson, proxy for J. W.
- Piney Creek-----No. 432—M. F. Parsons, Master.
- Vanceboro-----No. 433—D. W. Ferebee, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Marietta-----No. 444—R. C. White, Master, D. E. Whitehead, S. W.; W. R. Maner, proxy for J. W.
- Biltmore-----No. 446—H. E. Boorse, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Enfield-----No. 447—H. M. Lynch, Master, and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Clyde-----No. 453—E. W. Rogers, Master and proxy for J. W.; D. K. Medford, proxy for S. W.
- Elkin-----No. 454—L. W. Weatherman, proxy for Master; Richard G. Franklin, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Dillsboro-----No. 459—M. Y. Jarrett, proxy for Officers.
- South Fork-----No. 462—H. C. Keeter, S. W. and proxy for Master and J. W.
- Gulf-----No. 465—J. F. Adcock, Master and proxy for J. W.; R. A. Kennedy, S. W.
- Grassy Knob-----No. 471—C. L. Comer, proxy for Officers.
- Lexington-----No. 473—P. M. Hendricks, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Grimesland-----No. 475—J. L. Williams, proxy for Master; R. B. Wilson, S. W.; J. L. Williams, J. W.
- Traphill-----No. 483—H. S. Holbrook, J. W. and proxy for Master and S. W.
- Southern Pines-----No. 484—R. L. Chandler, Master and proxy for S. W.; S. L. Windham, J. W.
- Lawndale-----No. 486—P. P. Richards, Master; Carl Lee, S. W.; J. H. Cline, J. W.
- Rich Square-----No. 488—A. A. Bryan, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Hominy-----No. 491—A. K. Queen, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.

- Thos. M. Holt-----No. 492—W. H. Marlette, proxy for Master and S. W.; J. S. Cook, proxy for J. W.
- Pilot-----No. 493—W. P. Henley, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Mooreville-----No. 496—T. M. Funk, Master; P. B. Morrow, S. W.; G. W. Waldrop, J. W.
- Royal Hart-----No. 497—W. T. Person, Master; A. J. May, proxy for S. W.; W. R. Bowers, proxy J. W.
- Ayden-----No. 498—C. E. Spear, Master and proxy for J. W.; G. B. Prescott, prox for S. W.
- Creedmoor-----No. 499—O. E. Wheeler, Master; W. T. Fuller, S. W.; Ollie Milton, J. W.
- Raleigh-----No. 500—D. T. Moore, Master; C. E. Harrington, S. W.; John Ward, J. W.
- Whetstone-----No. 515—A. W. Kincaid, Master.
- Aulander-----No. 516—J. D. Jenkins, proxy for Master, J. K. Parker, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Farmville-----No. 517—John H. Paylor, Master; Aaron Bailey, S. W. and proxy for J. W.
- Widow's Son-----No. 519—Norris Hannon, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Fairfield-----No. 520—R. L. Jones, Master; L. G. Mooney, proxy for S. W.; A. G. Berry, J. W.
- Wanchese-----No. 521—R. Bruce Etheridge, proxy for Officers.
- Pendleton-----No. 524—C. A. Davis, Master; Otis Ricks, proxy for S. W.; A. P. Purdy, J. W.
- Rodgers-----No. 525—B. E. Strickland, Master, H. R. Knight, proxy S. W.; B. C. Strickland, J. W.
- Andrews-----No. 529—Clyde H. Jarrett, Master; F. W. Swan, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Joppa-----No. 530—H. L. Ingold, Master; E. C. Bolt, S. W.; and F. E. Dawson, J. W.
- Hamlet-----No. 532—L. W. Spencer, Master and proxy for S. W. and J. W.
- Camp Call-----No. 534—F. D. Mintz, proxy for Master; D. D. Lattimore, S. W.; L. T. Warlick, proxy for J. W.
- Corinthian-----No. 542—J. R. Wilkins, Master; B. S. Eldridge, prox for S. W.
- Spencer-----No. 543—A. L. Frick, Master; L. E. Burch, S. W.; G. W. Miller, J. W.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

TO THE GRAND LODGE:

Masonic custom and law require that he who has been installed as Grand Master and has served in that capacity shall at the Annual Communication of his Grand Lodge, present the formal report of his actions, observations and recommendations. Having been designated for nearly two decades to read and report annually on the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, this present writer personally knows that there is little or nothing new about any of them, but that the course of duty carries them over strikingly similar courses.

I desire first of all, as is customary, to pay tribute of respect to those of our brethren who have passed on to the unseen world since last we were assembled here. Full half a thousand of good men and true have left us, and their places will be difficult to fill. It is our duty year by year to so train those around us in the ranks that as the relentless hand of the Great Leveler removes our brethren, others shall be qualified not only to take their places but even to carry on better than their predecessors; for of such a program as this only is progress composed.

I note the passing of Past Assistant Grand Lecturer J. W. Rowell, at Matthews, on October 19, 1939. I was not able to reach that place in time for the funeral and directed that flowers be sent.

I note the passing of our former Secretary of Masonic Education, Walton Crump Wicker, at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, on August 31, 1939. Brother Wicker was Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Home and presided at the meeting of that Board on that day, as well as over public exercises. He expired suddenly on the lawn and the funeral was held under Masonic auspices the following Sunday, at Elon College. Doctor Wicker was one of the most useful Masons that North Carolina has known in this generation. Learned, he was human: a devout member of the Christian



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Christchurch, New Zealand

Church, he was appreciative of the views of others no matter what their religion. Many who loved him will mourn his loss.

I record the passing of Past Grand Master Roy F. Ebbs on December 29, 1939, at his home in Asheville. Brother Ebbs had not been in the best of health for a month or more, but his passing was a shock even to his close friends. Brother Ebbs was a banker, and a man highly beloved and respected among those who knew him. A prominent citizen of Asheville, in a radio address on the morning before the funeral, aptly described Roy Ebbs as "an apostle of good cheer." He was a man whom Masonry delighted to honor.

I report the death on February 21, 1940, of the dean of the Past Grand Masters, Walter Scott Liddell, at Charlotte. Full of years, of honors and of experience and usefulness, Brother Liddell had been influential in Masonry throughout the complete Masonic experience of a large part of the Masons now in the Grand Lodge hall. He served as Grand Master in 1904 and 1905.

I note the loss of Grand Tyler W. Dan Terry who passed at his home in Raleigh on December 24, 1939. Brother Terry was an obliging and faithful Mason. His genial presence will be missed.

Proper tribute will be made to these brethren by those appointed by me for this purpose.

I also report the passing of a Mason beloved by many including myself, Brother Latimer Williams, of Wilson, at his home in Wilson on September 3rd, last. Few men there are who come to be more beloved by their associates than "Uncle Lat", as he was affectionately known to many.

In the Masonic world outside, many brethren prominent in the Craft have passed without human sight and to the Eternal Realm, who will be mentioned at the proper time, by the Committee on Necrology. Space does not permit me here to refer to them individually, save one. This one is the late Past Grand Master Sydney Clifton Bingham, of Christchurch, New Zealand. No man within the sound of my voice ever beheld this brother with

the physical eye, and yet his Masonic kindness and generosity and zeal have indirectly influenced many even within this jurisdiction. Indirectly, it was he who brought it about that I made a Masonic journey to England, Scotland, Ireland and France five years ago, and the associations of that pilgrimage will never be erased from life's influences. I sent my usual greetings to him for the Christmas season, not knowing that he had passed to his reward on December 2, 1939. Among other connections he was secretary and editor for the New Zealand Masters' and Past Masters' Lodge, No. 150, the Lodge of Research.

STATE OF THE CRAFT

Tradition requires that I shall report on this subject. It is a pleasure to do so. In a Grand Lodge including so many lodges as we have, and in so large a territory, one would expect all sorts of erratic conditions; but the past year has been singularly free from experiences which might indicate that anything is seriously wrong with Masonry in any locality. A high regard for Masonic principle prevails, and the morale of Freemasonry in this jurisdiction is now something to be proud of. Moreover, it is possible to report that for the first time since 1927, there is a net gain in membership in our lodges. In that year, our membership reached an all time high of 41,439. I could give you an astounding number of figures in this connection concerning suspensions, dismissions and the like; but it would probably be a profitless mental exercise; so I simply remind you that in the years of the drop of 14,714 in membership in thirteen years, many things have happened that we should like to forget, forever, if possible.

I began the year's work with the conviction that one great objective should be the enrichment of the Masonic experiences of our lodges and of our brethren. I have attempted to make the exemplifications of Freemasonry that our brethren beheld and felt, such that they would crave more; the meetings, such that they would plan better and attend them eagerly. I have attempted to carry this message to the full length and breadth of the great

state of North Carolina. I have found the brethren eager to meet the Grand Master, and strangely enough, eager to hear him. I have addressed at one time or another many thousands of our brethren—if I did not so completely detest keeping such figures, I could tell you almost the exact number. This brings me to the next subject—

VISITS IN THE STATE

Informally the series of visits of the year began last April almost immediately after the closing of the Annual Communication, and it ended last evening. Early in the summer, I requested the Grand Secretary to arrange a series of District Meetings in the western counties of the state in such a way that they might be held before the opening date of the schools of Warren County School System, whose superintendent I am. As far as possible this was done. I report to you that I visited the District Meeting in every District of the state. Inasmuch as there were only four lodges left in the Onslow-Jones county district, with 175 members, I consolidated this district, part with the Wilmington District and part with the New Bern District, and the District Deputy Grand Masters have been glad to work with these lodges. Thus an improvement has been made.

Following the series of District Meetings, I have accepted invitations to visit lodges as far as time would permit. Except during the holiday season, and the season when roads were not passable, I averaged four visits per week or more. I have not declined to visit any lodge except when there was no date open for such visit. I have visited lodges which apparently never before had been visited by a Grand Master. And in each case I have sought to make the visit really worth while, to the lodge and to Masonry. I have travelled about thirty thousand miles inside the state. Below is my schedule of visits in full, including—

TRAVELS OUTSIDE THE STATE

I have received the following invitations to go outside the state, and none other:

To the Semi-Centennial of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, last June.

To a special meeting in honor of myself and of Grand Master Turnbull, of Virginia, at South Hill, Virginia, last July.

To the Sesqui-Centennial of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire last July.

To the installation of the new Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, in July.

To the Connecticut Sesqui-Centennial, in October.

To the Communications of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

To the Annual of the District of Columbia.

To the Annual of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

To the great Australian celebration.

To the Annual of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

To the celebration in honor of Grand Master Turnage by his own lodge, in Washington, D. C.; he being a native of North Carolina.

To a celebration in Charleston, S. C., during the winter; which conflicted with the Fayetteville celebration.

To the Grand Lodge of Tennessee at Nashville.

To a special meeting at Gainesville, Georgia, in April.

Not all of these have I been able to accept. I was unable to go to England, or to Kentucky, or to Australia, or to Charleston, or to Gainesville, Georgia; but I deeply appreciate the kindness of the good brethren who were so thoughtful as to send the invitations.

I did attend the great celebration at Grand Forks, North Dakota, to greet our great-great grandchild, the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. This and the other out-of-state occasions which I attended were most interesting. Notable were the celebrations at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and at New Haven, Connecticut.

I report that I had the pleasure of speaking briefly at each of these as well as the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, on which occasion I had the exceedingly great honor of re-

ceiving the Henry Price Medal from the hands of Grand Master Joseph Earl Perry. Impossible weather prevented my leaving the state to attend the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, and conflicting engagements kept me from going to Kentucky. I hereby express my appreciation of the hospitality of the Grand Lodges of Virginia and the District of Columbia.

APPOINTMENTS AND OFFICIAL VISITS, 1939-'40

(This List Is Not Complete)

May 7-10—York Rite Annual Meeting, Durham.

May 11-12—Grand Commandery of Virginia, Marion, Virginia.

May 12—Oxford High School Commencement, 8:00 p. m., Oxford.

May 17-18—Sudan Temple, Rocky Mount.

May 23—Durham, 6:30 p. m., followed by meeting of Lodge, No. 352.

May 26-27—Chicago, Ill.—Red Cross of Constantine.

May 29—Wake Forest, N. C.—9:00 a. m., Budget Committee, 11:00 a. m., Trustees, through day; 7:00 p. m. Graduation Exercise.

June 1—Monroe, N. C.—Installation D. D. G. M., 8:00 p. m. (Also conference with Charlotte committee at Charlotte.)

June 5—Wilson—Mount Lebanon Lodge: Presentation of Rings (Monday).

June 7—South Hill, Va.—Meeting for two Grand Masters, 8:00 p. m.

June 10—Concord, N. C.—S. R. I. C. F. (Saturday) 6:30 p. m.

June 12—Wilson—Annual Convention, Grand Chapter, O. E. S. of North Carolina.

June 13—Wilson—Luncheon of Past Grand Patrons and Past Grand Matrons.

June 13—Enfield—5:00 p. m., Lodge Meeting.

June 14—Raleigh—Installation of D. D. G. M. Turley.

June 16—Leave for Northwest.

June 19-21—Grand Forks, North Dakota—Grand Lodge Jubilee.

July 1—Return from the West.

July 6—Leave for New England.

July 7-9—Portsmouth, New Hampshire—Centennial of New Hampshire Masonry.

July 12—Return from New England and New York.

July 17—Board of Education of Warren County.

July 20—Wake Forest—3:00 p. m.—Committee on Buildings and Grounds, Wake Forest College.

July 25—County Commissioners, Annual Budget Meeting.

July 25—Durham—District Meeting.

July 26, 27, 28—Ridgecrest—School Superintendents of North Carolina.

August 2—Itinerary in Mountain Counties.

August 5—Principals' Conference with State Department Public Instruction.

August 11—Wilmington—District Meeting.

August 15—Henderson—District Meeting.

August 16—North Wilkesboro—District Meeting.

August 17—West Jefferson—District Meeting.

August 18—Newton—District Meeting.

August 22—Shelby—District Meeting.

August 23—Spindale—District Meeting.

August 28—Swannanoa—District Meeting.

August 29—Asheville—District Meeting.

August 30—Murphy District—District Meeting at Hiwassee Dam.

August 31—Sylva—District Meeting.

September 1—Waynesville—District Meeting.

September 3—Elon College—Funeral Dr. Wicker.

September 5-6—Formal Opening of 1939-40 School Term.

September 7—New Bern—A. A. O. N. M. S.

September 13—Oxford—Directors Oxford Orphanage.

September 15—Statesville—District Meeting.

September 19-21—New York—Masonic Relief Association of United States and Canada.

September 25—Oxford—District Meeting.

September 26—Spruce Pine—District Meeting.

September 28—Wanchese—District Meeting.

September 29—Belhaven—District Meeting.

October 4-5—Philadelphia Church, Moderator Tar River Association.

October 6—Selma—District Meeting.

October 8—Gastonia—District Conference.

October 8-10—Charlotte—Centennial Observance via Asheville.

October 11—Concord—District Meeting.

October 14—New Haven, Connecticut—Grand Lodge Celebration.

October 19—Pikeville—District Meeting.

October 20—Tarboro—District Meeting.

October 22-26—Triennial of G. G. C. at Charleston, South Carolina.

October 31—Southern Pines—District Meeting.

November 2, Thursday—Roanoke Rapids—Visit to Widow's Son Lodge.

November 3, Friday—New Bern—District Meeting.

November 7, Tuesday—Green Level Lodge, No. 277, District Meeting, 16th District.

November 8, Wednesday—New Bern—Sudan Temple.

November 9, Thursday—Norlina—Francis S. Packard Lodge, 7:30 p. m.

November 10, Friday—Raleigh—North Carolina Education Association, N. Cent. Dist.

November 13, Monday—Burlington—District Meeting.

November 14, Tuesday—Wake Forest—District Meeting.

November 15, Wednesday—Clinton—District Meeting.

November 17, Friday—Lumberton—District Meeting.

November 20, Monday—Asheboro—District Meeting.

November 21, Tuesday—Fayetteville—Special Communication Grand Lodge, 7:30 p. m.

November 22, Wednesday—Winston-Salem—Baptist State Convention and Trustees Wake Forest College.

November 24, Friday—6:15 p. m., Mount Airy—District Meeting.

November 27, Monday—Fair Bluff—Thanksgiving Gathering.

November 28, Tuesday—Plymouth—Perseverance Lodge—Past Masters' Night.

November 29, Wednesday—13th District Meeting.

December 1, Friday—Raleigh Lodge, No. 500.

December 4, Monday—Gastonia—Anniversary and 50 year diplomas (was detained).

December 6, Wednesday—Sparta—District Meeting.

December 7, Thursday—Monroe—District Meeting.

December 8, Friday—School Masters' Club.

December 9, Saturday—Salisbury—Red Cross of Constantine.

December 13, Wednesday—Oxford—Directors Oxford Orphanage.

December 14, Thursday—Knap of Reeds Lodge, Bahama.

December 15, Friday—Gastonia—District Meeting.

December 19, Tuesday—Royal Hart Lodge, Littleton.

December 20, Wednesday—Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, Washington.

December 27, Wednesday—Boston, Massachusetts.

December 29, Friday—Rocky Mount, N. C.—Joint Installation.

December 31—Asheville—Funeral Roy F. Ebbs.

January 1, 1940, Monday—Greenville, N. C.—Installation.

January 2—Roxboro—Person Lodge.

January 4, Thursday—Kenansville—Installation and Ladies' Night.

January 5, Friday—Burgaw—Installation, etc.

January 8, Monday—Asheville—Joint Installation.

January 9, Tuesday—Sanford—Grand Master's Night.

January 10, Wednesday—Directors Oxford Orphanage, 10:00 a. m.

January 10, Wednesday—Clayton—7:30 p. m.

January 11, Thursday—Schoolmasters' Club of Warren County, Littleton.

January 12, Friday—Colored Teachers.

January 13, Saturday—North Carolina College, S. R. I. C. F.

January 15, Monday—Chapel Hill, Honoring Dr. M. C. S. Noble.

January 16, Tuesday—Stokesdale—Anniversary and Certificates.

January 19, Friday—Charlotte—Banquet. (Kept away by snow.)

January 22—Dunn—District Meeting.

January 23—Elizabeth City—(Kept away by snow).

January 25, Thursday—Sudan Temple, New Bern. (Kept away by snow.)

January 26, Friday—Brevard—Dunn's Rock.

January 31, Wednesday—Nashville, Tennessee—Grand Lodge of Tennessee (kept away by snow).

February 2, Friday—Spring Hope.

February 5, Monday—Reidsville Lodge.

February 6, Tuesday—Denton Lodge.

February 7, Wednesday—Hertford, Perquimans Lodge.

February 8, Thursday—Royal White Hart, No. 2.

February 9, Friday—Washington, D. C.—Honoring the Grand Master.

February 12, Monday—Teachers' Meeting.

February 13, Tuesday—Richmond, Va.—Grand Lodge of Virginia.

February 14, Wednesday—Henderson Lodge, No. 229.

February 15, Thursday—N Y A Conference a. m., Rocky Mount, N. C.—Schoolmasters' Club.

February 16, Friday—Schoolmasters, Col., W.C.T.S.

February 19, Monday—Raleigh—Hiram, No. 40.

February 20, Tuesday—Mocksville Lodge.

February 22, Thursday et seq.—Washington's Birthday Meetings at Washington, D. C.

February 23, Friday—Charlotte—Funeral W. S. Liddell.

February 26, Monday—Oxford.

February 27, Tuesday—Morehead City.

February 28, Wednesday—Carthage.

February 29, Thursday—Denton.

March 4, Monday—Johnston-Caswell Lodge.

March 5, Tuesday—Washington, N. C.

March 7, Thursday—Lenoir, N. C.

March 8, Friday—Boone and Snow Lodge.

March 9, Saturday—Raleigh with Imperial Potentate A.A.O.N.M.S.

March 11, Monday—Raleigh—William G. Hill Lodge, No. 218.

March 13, Wednesday—Oxford—Directors Oxford Orphanage, 10:00 a. m.

March 15, Friday—Raleigh—North Carolina Education Association (week-end). Friday, 8:00 p. m.—Greensboro—Corinthian, No. 542.

March 18, Monday—Wilson—Mount Lebanon Lodge, 6:00 p. m.

March 19, Tuesday—Afton-Elberon School—Schoolmasters' Club, 6:00 p. m.

March 20, Wednesday—Halifax—Royal White Hart, No. 2, 7:30 p. m.

March 23, Saturday—Epsom—John H. Mills Lodge.

March 25, Monday—Royal Hart Lodge, Littleton, 8:00 p. m.

March 26, Tuesday—Concord Lodge, Tarboro, 7:00 p. m.

March 27, Wednesday—Warrenton Baptist Church.

March 28, Thursday—Greensboro—Joint Meeting at 7:00 p. m.

March 29, Friday—Enfield Lodge.

March 30, Saturday—Greensboro, 11:00 a. m., Directors Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

April 1, Monday—Board of Education, 11:00 a. m.; Leaksville, 6:00 p. m., Leaksville Lodge.

April 2, Tuesday—Rocky Mount—Royal Arch Meeting; Weldon—Roanoke Lodge, 8:00 p. m.

April 3, Wednesday—Louisburg Lodge, No. 413.

April 4, Thursday—General Colored Teachers' Meeting, Library.

April 5, Friday—Spring Hope Lodge, 7:30 p. m.

April 8, Monday—General Teachers' Meeting, White, 7:30 p. m.

April 9, Tuesday—Morning Star Lodge, Nashville, 7:30 p. m.

April 10, Wednesday—Roxboro—Person Lodge.

April 11, Thursday—Rocky Mount—Joint Meeting, 7:30 p. m.

April 12, Friday—Concord Lodge, Tarboro.

April 13, Saturday—Revolution Lodge, Greensboro.

April 15, Monday—Durham—Duke University—1:00 p. m.; Raleigh—Hiram Lodge, No. 40, 8:00 p. m.

April 15-16-17, Monday—Wednesday—7:00 p. m.—*ad finem*—Grand Lodge, Raleigh.

OFFICIAL ACTS

My first official acts were in matters of appointments, all of which are a matter of record. Next came more of the same, being the list of District Deputy Grand Masters. Brethren, I doubt whether there has been a more efficient group of District Deputy Grand Masters, considered as individuals and as a group. The least effective in the number would be rated as passable in any Grand Lodge. I regret that District Deputy Grand Masters Poole of Jackson, Slate of Fayetteville and Thomas of Jonesboro found it necessary on account of insuperable obstacles to tender their resignations, and I appointed Bros. Bellamy of Enfield, Prince of Dunn and McIver of Sanford, to their respective places. These were very happy appointments.

My next official act was to receive the official bond of the Grand Secretary, which I deposited in the Grand Lodge vault and for which I hold the Grand Secretary's receipt.

My next official act was to provide machinery for the execution of the mandate of the Grand Lodge that all District Deputy Grand Masters shall obligate themselves to perform the duties of the office to the best of their several ability in letter and in spirit. I held that this is tantamount to a requirement that there shall be some form of installation, and experience has shown that it is good that they shall be installed in some lodge in the district, early in the Masonic year. This experience starts the year off properly. I prepared a form of installation which was used, and is attached hereto.

I report to you that after a proper canvass of the field, I appointed Brother J. Ray. Shute, II, as Grand Historian. Brother Shute is as well equipped for this position as any brother in the state. While I am thinking of matters of history, I am placing it in the record that a number of years ago a non-Mason found the records of Blandford-Bute Lodge, in original and in a copy about a hundred years old; as well as several early books of record of Johnston-Caswell Lodge. These he handed to

me for valuable considerations. I gave the Johnston-Caswell records to that lodge. Later the Committee on History of the Grand Lodge borrowed these records for the purpose of making a copy thereof, and they were not returned either to me or to the lodge, but were by said committee delivered to the Grand Secretary who now has them. I state it as a matter of record that they are not the property of the Grand Lodge, although retained by it, nor loaned except for copying.

I report to you further, referring to the subject of resignations, that Most Worshipful Brother J. W. Winborne resigned as a member of the Committee on Masonic Temple. The vacancy was not filled.

I report to you that I made a survey of the list of Grand Representatives and sent two letters to each of them. I requested each Grand Representative of any Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, to communicate with the Grand Lodge which he represented recounting the acts of our Grand Lodge, and to send me a copy of his letter. Later I checked to discover who in the list had failed to attend Grand Lodge for three successive annual communications, and also to give any attention to my letters; and in all such cases I advised the Grand Lodges which they represented, that these persons did not meet the requirements of this administration for Grand Representatives, and advised further that I was nominating a successor in each case. This has been done, and a list of such nominations is appended. I ask that this act be approved:

NOMINATIONS OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Lodge of Ecuador—Roscoe M. Wynn, Elizabeth City.

The Grand Lodge Del Pacifico of Mexico—John W. Darden, Plymouth.

The Grand Lodge of Texas—J. T. Bundy, Farmville.

The Grand Lodge of Bolivia—H. McN. Johnson, Willard.

The Grand Lodge of Washington—H. W. Prince, Dunn.

The Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands—J. M. Turley, Clayton.

The Grand Lodge of Vera Cruz, Mexico—Lon G. Turner, Burlington.

The Grand Lodge of the Republic of Colombia at Cartagena—E. T. Howard, High Point.

The Grand Lodge of Georgia—S. Henry Green, Monroe.

The Grand Lodge of Chihuahua, Mexico—William B. McConnell, Asheville.

The Grand Lodge of Colombia at Cartagena—Karl A. Muschette, Oteen.

The Grand Lodge of Argentina—Fred C. Kinzie, Spindale.

The Grand Lodge of Bahia, Brazil—R. I. Thompson, Hickory.

The Grand Lodge of Colombia at Barranquilla—E. E. Maddrey, Winston-Salem.

The Grand Lodge of Tamaulipas, Mexico—William B. Ferguson, Weaverville.

The Grand Lodge of Sweden—Dr. Charles P. Eldridge, Raleigh.

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico—M. S. Davis, Louisburg.

The Grand Lodge of Ceara, Brazil—J. Edward Rooker, Warrenton.

The Grand Lodge Occidental of Jalisco, Mexico—Chas. A. Harris, Roxboro.

Among my official acts were those which had to do with the Service Awards and Veterans' Awards which by resolution were provided for by the Grand Lodge a year ago. In this the Grand Master had to work out procedures with little to guide him away from mistakes. I report to you that for the present year I did not present any buttons, but instead used properly prepared certificates. It is my opinion that the certificate plan has amply justified itself. If the lodges had been required to buy buttons for those who had served for twenty-five years

continuously, I venture the assertion that not five hundred of them would have been used; but as a matter of fact, more than half of the lodges of the state have applied for the certificates. I gave the certificates to the brethren who had served for fifty years only as a matter of uniformity, and I think the incoming Grand Master will probably present buttons to these veterans as originally planned. I report to you that these presentations have been very happy occasions. Each presentation has been an individual matter at the altar if the brother was present. Much Masonic good has been accomplished by them. The record of each brother who received one has been carefully checked by the Grand Secretary, and the purging of the lodge records in the process has been a valuable accomplishment if nothing else had been done. I donated the 25-year certificates myself, but I have expended quite a sum on postage and mailing, stenographic work and seals for three thousand certificates to 150 lodges which I should like to get reimbursed.

I am indebted to Prof. Ross E. Shumaker of State College for a beautiful hand-worked specimen certificate for lithographing.

I report to you a number of official acts with reference to irregularities in lodges. At Hayesville, a meeting held at an hour earlier than that set in the by-laws produced a ballot about which there was criticism, and I held that the meeting was a special communication at which no balloting could be done. At Morehead City it was found that the Master of the lodge had never been properly dimitted from another lodge and therefore I held that he was not a member of Ocean Lodge. I directed him to get himself properly affiliated, and ordered another election for the office of Master—all of which was done. In another lodge it appeared there was a member who in traveling through the South issued a number of bad checks with Masonic impunity. I directed that he be brought to trial, which was done. In still another lodge there was a member who was serving a sentence in another state for a felony, and I ordered that he be brought to trial, which was done with expulsion as a re-

sult. In a lodge in Wilkes County a member serving a sentence in a penal institution for a felony was brought to trial in his lodge, and acquitted by a large majority. Upon my suggestion the officers appealed the case to the Grand Lodge, and the committee will hear it.

My official acts have taken cognizance of the work of the members of the Grand Lecturer system—a body of fine men who are doing a great work for a better Masonry. I reminded them of the fact that they should not allow themselves to be called upon to act as interpreters of the law of Masonry unless they see the exact word in the book. I also advised them of my judgment that the ritual of our Masonic work in North Carolina may not be altered or amended except by specific act of the Grand Lodge itself. In connection with the work of the lecturers it seems to me that this Grand Lodge should adopt a retirement plan of some kind. It is not right that the Grand Lecturers should be expected to continue active work indefinitely until far beyond what society sets as the age of retirement. It is my judgment that lecturers beyond a fixed age should be retired with emeritus standing and compensation and I so recommend.

I further suggest that due consideration in the future be given to the fact that our Grand Lecturers and Assistant Grand Lecturers are essentially teachers; and that in future appointments to the system, due consideration be given to the educational qualifications of all candidates for such positions. Perhaps it would be well to set up objective minimum standards. This would not in any way prejudice any present member of the system.

I direct attention to the fact that in Iowa there are hundreds of good Masons who have taken the Custodians' Examination in the matter of ritualistic proficiency—some sixteen hundred, I believe. And they are given certificates of proficiency valid for two years. I have been inclined to suggest that our brethren in this state take the Custodians' Examination, and arrangements have been made for such examination here today. I have no information as to how many finally took it. I hope that this idea will expand year by year. Our lodges are

ritualistically in very good condition, taken as a whole. General proficiency and a large number of certificate holders would be a sure way to becoming proficiency-minded throughout the state.

Still another of my official acts had to do with the Declaration of Principles which this Grand Lodge adopted a year ago. A certain editorial writer of this state attempted to interpret the work of Freemasonry for North Carolina readers by saying that the fraternity should be commended for its firm stand against a certain church with respect to its attitude toward certain educational problems. I requested the publication of a correction as follows:

October 23, 1939

Dear Sir:

Your editorial writer, on page six of your issue of October eighteenth, 1939, writing about Freemasonry and its relation to churches and public schools, discusses something about which he obviously knows very little; and because of this fact misleads his readers in his left-handed compliments given to Freemasonry. I beg of you to cause to be corrected the erroneous impressions which he must have left upon some readers as follows:

Your editorial writer admits that he is "constitutionally opposed to the Freemasons" along with others to whom he is opposed. This fact is of no interest to us. But he at some length goes on to say in the editorial, that "The Freemasons, high and low, * * * * have not failed to take a firm stand against" what he refers to as "the growing power of the ecclesiastical hierarchy of the Roman Catholics"; "and to warn others of the danger."

This is definitely a misleading statement. The only authority on Freemasonry in North Carolina is The Grand Lodge of North Carolina. On April 17 last, this Grand Lodge adopted a Declaration of Principles in which is found the following unequivocal language:

"This Grand Lodge affirms * * * * those ancient and approved rules of Freemasonry which forbid the discus-

sion in Masonic Lodges or meetings of creeds, politics or other topics likely to excite personal animosities or personal differences."

Freemasonry is not fighting any church, nor does it champion or oppose any political program or any legislation. These things are no business of Freemasonry. If you think some higher authority can contradict me in this statement, I quote the following from the same Declaration unanimously adopted by North Carolina Freemasonry:

"No member or officer of whatever grade has the right to speak or act for or in the name of or on behalf of Freemasonry except as to matters definitely Masonic."

Freemasonry exists to implant the principles of morality and the life abundant in its devotees and fosters no program, propaganda or plan of action. The same official declaration of organized Freemasonry thus speaks on this point:

"Consistently throughout the two centuries of Freemasonry in the United States, its members have exercised their inherent and absolute right of freedom of thought and action in all matters religious and civil, but solely as individuals and never as Masons."

And in the event that you may perchance think some authority outside North Carolina can veto or nullify what I have quoted above as the final position of Freemasonry, I at length quote the following from the Declaration of Principles, officially adopted by Freemasonry in North Carolina; and also accepted in substance by Freemasonry in all of the Grand Lodges of the States of the Union:

"The Grand Lodge of North Carolina is a Sovereign and Independent Body * * * * and * * * * does not recognize or admit the existence of any superior Masonic authority anywhere in the world, however styled."

I repeat that organized Freemasonry in North Carolina denies that Freemasonry is opposed to any church;

that it has anything to do with the relation of church and state; that it takes up the cudgels concerning any alleged aggression of any church on any phase of life. If some Freemasons in other capacity desire to do these things that is no activity of Freemasonry and we repudiate all such as a function of Freemasonry. There is nothing in Masonic procedure that can prejudice the standing of any man on account of his religion, no matter whether he is Jew, Protestant, or Catholic. What the members or the officials of any church or of any political ideology think and say about Freemasonry is no concern of ours here. Freemasonry, or Freemasons as such, are emphatically declared to be conducting no such campaign as your editorial writer suggests. The source whose literature appears to be referred to by the editorial writer, does not represent Freemasonry either in North Carolina or in the United States. The editorial is misleading

Very sincerely,

J. EDWARD ALLEN, *Grand Master*.

I was shown a certain scheme for raising money which was in use by a chapter of the Eastern Star order, according to the allegation; the scheme being equivalent to a raffle. I was asked whether I would not stop it. I noted that the same thing is used by church societies. My reply was that if I attempted to regulate every organization which was composed in part only of Masons, even though the others had some relation to Masonic families there would be no end to the police jurisdiction of Grand Masters. I hold that in groups composed of Masons exclusively, the Grand Master is warranted in stepping in to terminate such practices.

I had directed to my attention the Masonic status of the town of Stumpy Point, which is nearer Wanchese than Engelhard, but the ferry to Wanchese does not operate to make it possible for brethren from Stumpy Point to go to Wanchese to a meeting and back the same night, whereas, if the road to Engelhard is passable at all it may be used at all hours. I therefore granted concurrent jurisdiction over Stumpy Point to both lodges, express-

ing the heartfelt hope that that road may be somewhat improved the next time I travel over it. The lodges are Wanchese, No. 521, and Mattamuskeet, No. 328.

Elk Lodge, No. 375, at Todd, and Ashler Lodge, No. 451, at Deep Gap, voted to consolidate for good and sufficient reasons and I was very glad to give my approval to the process and not throw any obstacles in the way. I have signed the new charter to the consolidated lodge.

The brethren at Blowing Rock definitely felt that it is impossible for them to carry on as a lodge, and still they could not surrender their charter according to current practice in this state because they were not clear of debt to the Grand Lodge. Accordingly on February fifth, I arrested the charter of this lodge by agreement of all parties and instructed District Deputy Grand Master R. I. Thompson to take up its effects.

I have granted the usual number of dispensations to elect officers out of time and to act upon petitions from candidates possessing some maim which prevented them from falling in the category of the "perfect youth". I have also approved the resignations of some officers of lodges and permitted these lodges to hold elections to fill such vacancies, as the law provides.

I have performed several official acts with respect to certain ceremonies. I opened a special communication of the Grand Lodge at Fayetteville on November 21, as a part of the great celebration there. This matter was referred to in the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge last year. I opened an emergent communication in Asheville on December 31, for the funeral of Past Grand Master Roy F. Ebbs. I officially dedicated the beautiful new Masonic building at Henderson, North Carolina, this being on August fifteenth. I have refused to call communications of the Grand Lodge to lay cornerstones because the buildings under consideration were already complete and occupied. I have been asked to grant dispensations to lodges to change the time of stated communications, and have refused such dispensations, as also dispensations to elect to honorary member-

ship brethren who are not Past Masters;—and in the latter cases I longed for the power to set the law aside.

OXFORD ORPHANAGE

I report to you that as required by law I have presided over all meetings of the Directors of the Oxford Orphanage. The health of the children is good, the morale is better and the condition of the plant is better than I have ever known it in the past. It is my ambition that the Saint John's College Building, the premier building of the institution, the landmark of the campus, conveying the impression of real character as one beholds it shall be modernized within at some coming time not too far hence, and that it shall remain there forever as the center of the campus. As it stands, it is a firetrap and unsafe.

THE ORPHANS' FRIEND

I commend to you our official paper. It is well edited, attractive in appearance, and a credit to the Grand Lodge. It has been our purpose this year to use it as a real Masonic news vehicle, and our organization has succeeded very effectively in this effort. It is a pity that it cannot go into the hands of every Mason in the State and be read by him and his family.

THE MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME

I have attended all meetings of the Board of Directors of the Home except that of August 31, when by a misunderstanding I made an engagement to be elsewhere and could not cancel it. The home family is happy—as happy as the infirmities of old age will permit. Added to the plant is the Chapel, which was financed by the members of the Order of the Eastern Star, with the assistance of two thousand dollars appropriated by the Directors from the Permanent Fund. I understand that the furnishings will be available at an early date, provided by the Eastern Stars. There are brethren who deplore the joint management of the Home by this Grand Lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star; but I have never been

able to discover that the Grand Lodge has been the loser by the partnership—rather it can be shown mathematically that the reverse is true. If we profited financially as much by partnership with the State of North Carolina in the Oxford Orphanage as we do by our partnership with the Order of the Eastern Star with respect to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, we should be able to greatly reduce our appropriation to the Oxford Orphanage. Assuming that this Grand Lodge is committed to the policy of caring institutionally for dependent aged Masons, their wives and sisters, at the expense of Masonry,—and by its own acts it is so committed—then we get a great excess of value in return for the eleven thousand dollars which we give the Masonic and Eastern Star Home annually. The home is asking for twelve thousand this year and deserves it. While I realize that the donation to the Orphanage by the State plus the state school fund does not pay for the care of the fifty per cent of the population of that institution that is not of Masonic connection, yet by these funds we are enabled to greatly extend our sphere of usefulness among non-Masonic children needing salvage very badly. Otherwise, I should recommend that we make it a strictly Masonic institution in every sense. It should be made clear that our Orphanage is really an institution of high class. We do not accept defective children or those whose presence would taint the morale or morals of the student body. It is on a level that Masonry has a right to expect. I have known the Orphanage more or less intimately for a quarter of a century, and I can say to you that its child-training program is now more complete than ever before, and is to be justified psychologically, physically, socially and economically. This has not always been completely true. Training is not the goal of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, but to make those elderly people contented in their declining years. Such institutions used to contain numbers of guests who were ready to file complaints about the management—and some such institutions are still to be found in which this is true, but not in ours. Their material wants are satisfied, and

with their satisfaction goes that amount of real personal attention and actual loving, without which life does not rise to the level of Freemasonry's goals. We do not find complaints filed by our guests. It is easy to discover the reason.

THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION

I report to you that I attended the Annual Meeting of the Masonic Service Association on February 22 at Washington. The Association is in good condition. Being your official representative to it, I might as well make some report on it here. This year, Doctor Joseph Fort Newton, who usually delivers the annual inspirational address, was detained at the last moment, and our Brother Hubert M. Poteat was at that same last moment pressed into service to address the Annual Meeting;—a most difficult task; to take Doctor Newton's place on a moment's notice and not even at home! Great was the amazement (I speak with much frankness) of the delegates when Brother Poteat amply rose to the occasion. Congratulations were showered upon him by those present. The current exclamation was, "I didn't believe anybody could do it!" We of North Carolina did.

The Masonic Service Association has been very useful to me. In return I have attempted to be useful to it. I have assisted it in a survey of Masonry in Latin America, and also in a compilation of Masonic statistics by Carl Claudy. Its aim is real Masonic service and it works efficiently to that end. At present it is thinking in terms of what will happen within Masonry if this country shall become involved in the war in Europe. Others are thinking of the same thing.

CONFERENCE OF GRAND MASTERS

I report to you that I was in Washington to attend this conference, but was called away on account of the funeral of Past Grand Master Liddell. I had been asked to read a paper on foreign conditions, and this was read for me by Grand Secretary John H. Anderson. I am attaching it to the Foreign Correspondence Report.

THE FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

A year ago I set out with the intention to write a very full Foreign Correspondence Report to be included with these papers. But as the year advanced, it became apparent that many lodges wanted the Grand Master to visit them for the values that might come to the lodges through an enriched Freemasonry, and I did not refuse their calls; and as a result, I am presenting a brief report as Foreign Correspondent. I am able to give the statistics of Freemasonry, and a brief survey. If I shall be appointed to this work again, I hope to resume the more ample report. But I have felt that wherever I could do the most good there the path of duty lay. I have not declined any call to visit the lodges, except because of the conflict of other calls. I have not given heed to the fact that the expense fund allowed a year ago became exhausted quite a while ago. If I can detect a feeling of greater confidence in the progress of Freemasonry in this jurisdiction by means of my contacts, I am happy to have served. I have not had to break engagements except at Elizabeth City, Goldsboro, Charlotte, and Stantonsburg—all for unavoidable reasons.

RESEARCH LODGES AND GROUPS

I have before me the Annual of the North Carolina Lodge of Research, No. 666, of which I have the honor to be a Past Master. The printed contributions of this Lodge to Masonic Literature and Masonic knowledge are really notable. Brethren, there are three or four recognized Lodges of Research in this country, and I say to you freely that the publications of our own are unsurpassed by any emanating from them. The lodge deserves our support. The existing prohibition—that it may not receive members by initiation—ought to be removed, and I so recommend.

I also report some interesting local study groups which are doing excellent work, according to reports coming to me—notably one at Asheville. I am a firm believer in these small groups of earnest seekers after truth. I am proud to be an honorary member of such a

lodge of research at Dublin, Ireland—Lodge Number 200.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

I have recommended to the lodges that they avail themselves of the privilege of making honorary members of Past Masters who are members of other lodges in good standing. Much Masonic good will and fraternal good fellowship is enhanced by these little ceremonies of presenting certificates of honorary membership. I have found that the lodges throughout the state, and the leaders among the Masons in general, feel that the limitation in the resolution providing for honorary membership, by which none but a Past Master may be so honored, is both useless and an incongruous limitation, and I feel that it should be removed and so recommend. I personally know of many cases in which lodges have sought to thus honor brethren who undoubtedly richly deserved such recognition; but because by accidental circumstances they had not been Masters of lodges, the privilege was denied such lodges. I might mention names to reinforce this suggestion if necessary.

MASONIC FINANCES

In general, the financial condition of the lodges is much improved. Not all lodges are out of the woods financially, but one does not expect such at any given time. I know of one lodge which is not executing its contract with the Lodge Service Commission; but this lodge will probably not survive and it is of little avail to insist on action now. One great handicap which has remained upon the financial condition of lodges with good officers is, and has been, the fact that no lodge may suspend any man for non-payment of dues until it has irrevocably lost at least one year's per capita tax in his case. It makes no difference that a lodge shall have in its by-laws the provision that dues are payable in advance; this provision, in the eyes of the Masonic law of North Carolina, does not relieve such a lodge when it faces the suspension of one who heeds it not. It is my conviction that the regulations and constitution of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina

should provide that if the by-laws of any lodge provide that dues be payable annually in advance, then such lodge may construe dues payable in advance but not so paid to be in arrears and may suspend the delinquent brother in accordance with existing law for such arrearage and delinquency. This leaves the matter in the hands of the lodge to put such a provision into its by-laws if it wishes and to enforce it if there. Such a change will not work to the detriment of the finances of the Grand Lodge. It is my belief that every Mason should carry his current dues card rather than that of last year, and that such a change in the law will aid in bringing this to pass. I can see no valid objection to it, and much good from it. I therefore recommend that the law of the Grand Lodge be amended in accordance with the above by the addition of Regulation 132-A, which shall read:

“If the by-laws of a subordinate lodge shall require the payment of dues annually in advance, then failure to pay such dues annually in advance shall constitute being in arrears for dues and may be dealt accordingly by such lodge.”

ROYAL WHITE HART LODGE HALL, AT HALIFAX

I have paid two visits to Royal White Hart Lodge during the past few months. I am impressed by the possibilities of this old Masonic building. It can be made to be a historic show-place for Freemasonry. The membership of this particular lodge is, and in our system doubtless will always be, small, and I am impressed with the idea that in some way assistance should be given to the lodge in developing this property. The town of Halifax will probably not grow but this Masonic Hall should be preserved. I have offered to the lodge some personal assistance in the project. Here is the original commission to Joseph Montfort, preserved in the courthouse vaults.

JOSEPH MONTFORT

It is my deliberate opinion that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina does not appreciate properly the place of Montfort in American Freemasonry—either we go to

absurd lengths or else we attach no importance to him. There is a middle ground. The Grand Lodge of England gives us precedence in terms of the authority and the work of Joseph Montfort; and in the seventies, this Grand Lodge took note of the centenary of its existence in terms of provincial existence first and corporate existence afterwards. I have asked the Grand Historian to dwell on this matter. It looks as though we might well follow the rule of precedence set up by the United Grand Lodge of England as applied to us: for this is coming to be generally acknowledged, and it dates from Montfort.

I further think we should commemorate Joseph Montfort by striking the Joseph Montfort Medal, with the proviso that it shall be awarded by the presiding Grand Master, and to no more than three persons being Master Masons, in any one Grand Master's annual term; and later, the design of the medal should be satisfactorily provided and put into metal. The cost will not be great and the dignity of the Grand Lodge will be enhanced. The medal to be awarded for distinctive achievement in the judgment of the Grand Master. I recommend the adoption of a resolution to that effect, carrying an appropriation sufficient to provide a small supply of such medals in bronze—one hundred and fifty dollars or so much thereof as is needed.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL

I attended the annual meeting of the Association which is building the great memorial to George Washington, the Mason, on Shooter's Hill, at Alexandria. Work on this for a decade has been quite slow, and yet something has been accomplished each year. Doctor Arn, of Ohio, is making an excellent president of the Association. We are being criticized because the memorial is still incomplete. It is, and there is no concealment of that fact. But the same thing might be said about two very great monumental Protestant churches whose names and locations are not concealed from many of us. The great and monumental structures best known to mankind were not built in a day, or in a decade, or in many instances in a century.

This fact does not keep us from desiring to complete this one as soon as possible; to endow it, to place therein the Washingtoniana now in various places in danger of destruction by fire, and to place on perpetual record thereby our appreciation of George Washington, Masonic brother, and what he stood for, which we cannot do too well.

WORLD CONDITIONS

Brethren, the world picture as these lines are written does not look excessively rosy for Masonry. The British Empire, that great Bulwark of Freemasonry, is in danger of complete disintegration; Great Britain itself, is gravely endangered; Scandinavia, another hospitable home of Freemasonry, is in an exceedingly difficult position and may have to bend toward the wishes of the dictators; France is in precarious situation as to internal conditions and the war as well. It may come to pass that Freemasonry may be virtually wiped off the face of the earth except in the Americas. We are daily building a stronger navy which could be needed only in the event of the defeat or partial defeat of the so-called Allies; men are thinking in terms of what will happen to this or that "in the possible emergency" in this continent. What is just around the corner no man knows. Let us hope and pray that it may be for the best for all of us, and that in this darkness we may see the stars of hope. It remains for us so to strengthen Freemasonry from within that when there is an emergency the spiritual values of Freemasonry in men's lives will be of vast value to this our country. Let us strive to that end.

APPRECIATION

I desire to record my sincere appreciation of the very many kindnesses, the signal hospitality, which have been accorded to me everywhere. I wouldn't be Grand Master another year for any inducement that I can now imagine; but I am very glad that I have had this opportunity to serve the brethren of this state. The District Deputy Grand Masters have done a beautiful job; thanks are expressed to them as well as to the line officers, the Grand

Secretary, the Grand Treasurer, and stalwarts like Alexander B. Andrews, Charlie Newcomb, Giles Hudson, John Phoenix, Pete Wilson, and others. I also acknowledge many special courtesies vouchsafed to me during the year. The Fourth District presented me a beautiful watch; Leaksville Lodge, a beautiful blanket; Stokesdale Lodge, a very well executed gavel from the hand of a brother; and Brother Burt Eldridge, of Greensboro, another gavel from wood from an historic spot.

I also acknowledge the high honor that has come in being made an honorary member of each of the following lodges:

Royal White Hart, No. 2, of Halifax;
Concord, No. 58, of Tarboro;
Perseverance, No. 59, of Plymouth;
Orr, No. 104, of Washington;
Perquimans, No. 106, of Hertford;
Person, No. 113, of Roxboro;
Mount Lebanon, No. 117, of Wilson;
Oxford, No. 122;
Joseph Warren, No. 92, of Stantonsburg;
Sanford, No. 151;
Henderson, No. 229;
Corinthian, No. 230, of Rocky Mount.
Greenville, No. 284;
Snow, No. 363, of Sugar Grove;
Denton, No. 404;
Bula, No. 409, of Burlington;
Stokesdale, No. 428;
Enfield, No. 447;
Raleigh, No. 500;
Queen City, No. 602, of Rocky Mount;
Francis S. Packard, No. 630, of Norlina.

I shall treasure this honor and these connections to the end of my days. Certificates of honorary membership in each case were presented to me.

I was also made an honorary member of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, which is deeply appreciated; and the Henry Price Medal from the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, I have already acknowledged.

Brethren, I do not consider myself to have been graduated from Masonic activity. Rather, I offer my services to the Grand Lodge which has honored me beyond my deserts and hope I may still serve in private as a Past Grand Master.


Grand Master.

SUGGESTED CEREMONY FOR INSTALLATION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, N. C. G. L.

It is the privilege of the District Deputy Grand Master to choose the occasion of his installation into the Office. It is indispensably required by the Grand Lodge that he shall take upon himself the vow of office. Arrangements having been made in some lodge for his installation, and members of other lodges in the district having been invited to be represented on this occasion, the Worshipful Master shall preside but the actual installation shall be in charge of a competent brother who shall be selected by agreement between the District Deputy Grand Master and the Master of the lodge. The Installing Officer shall designate a Marshal for the occasion. The Master may invite them to take charge.

The ceremony may be conducted as follows:

INSTALLING OFFICER: Brethren, this lodge has been requested to arrange for the installation of Worshipful Brother ----- as District Deputy Grand Master for the -----th District of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. Brother Marshal, present the District Deputy Grand Master for installation.

MARSHAL: Worshipful Master, I have pleasure in presenting Worshipful Brother -----, who has been appointed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master to be District Deputy Grand Master for the ----- Masonic District of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, has received his commission as such, and is present for installation.

INSTALLING OFFICER: Worshipful Brother -----,

you will kneel at the Altar, and repeat the vow of office, hands on the Volume of the Sacred Law.

I (repeat your name) do hereon solemnly vow that I will perform to the best of my ability the duties of the office of District Deputy Grand Master, in letter and in spirit, so help me the Supreme Architect of the Universe.

Arise, Worshipful Brother.

My Brother, the office of District Deputy is an important one. Being appointed to that office, you are the direct representative of the Most Worshipful Grand Master in your District. To him you are expected to report irregularities in the lodges in your district, as they may come to your knowledge. It is prescribed by Masonic law to be your duty to visit officially every lodge in your district at least once during your term of office if practicable; and one who does not expect it to be practicable to perform such duties would of course not accept appointment.

On your official visit, you are by law expected to preside. You are expected to examine the books and records of each lodge, determining that they are properly kept; you are to ascertain the state and condition of each lodge in all respects, pointing out errors in its conduct and mode of working. Your duties require you to be familiar with the usages and ceremonies of Freemasonry as it is practiced in the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and to instruct the lodges in any particular wherein you may find that the lodges may require or may desire information. The law of the Grand Lodge requires you to recommend attention to the moral and benevolent principles of Freemasonry, and to recommend caution in the admission of candidates into the lodges. You are to confer with the lodges concerning non-affiliated and dimitted Masons within their jurisdiction, with a view to their restoration to a complete participation in our noble work. If any lodge in your district shall become dormant, your duty will be, on direction from the Grand Master, to take possession of all funds and property of such lodge and to deliver the same to the Grand Secretary.

The law of the Grand Lodge further prescribes that the Grand Master is empowered to make further rules and regulations with respect to the duties of the District Deputy Grand Master as may be necessary; and that it shall be the duty of the District Deputy Grand Master to perform such other services and executive duties as may be deputed and intrusted to him by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge. In particular the Grand Master as the chief executive and administrative officer of the Grand Lodge determines the pressing needs of the lodges and the Craft, and will expect your assistance and co-operation in meeting such conditions, that the effectiveness of Freemasonry shall be advanced and its goals shall be achieved.

BRETHREN OF THE -----DISTRICT: For many years, Grand Masters have known that it was impossible to make frequent contacts directly with all of the lodges of Freemasons

in North Carolina in the short space of one Masonic year, and for that reason the system of District Deputy Grand Masters has been instituted and found valuable. At this time, practically all of the larger Grand Lodges throughout the world have such systems. The District Deputy Grand Master is as generally recognized among Masonic Grand Lodge officers, as any other in the distinguished list. The District Deputy Grand Master is the official representative of the Most Worshipful Grand Master with definite duties defined by Grand Lodge Law, charged and obligated to perform those duties in letter and in spirit under penalty of removal from office. Every lodge, every officer and every Master Mason in this district is charged and enjoined to give to the District Deputy Grand Master co-operation, support and counsel. Masonic solidarity and the enrichment of Masonic experiences for every Mason are to be emphasized. Abuses of Masonic custom and flagrant violations of Masonic law, the District Deputy Grand Master is to bring to the attention of the Grand Master, to the end that the good name of Freemasonry may not be besmirched by the acts of those who are on our rolls but respect not our lofty calling and election. Innovations into the ceremonies or the body of Freemasonry the District Deputy Grand Master is to make note of, to counsel their prompt elimination, and to urge the brethren to adherence faithfully to the ancient ritual of the Order as we practice it.

We hope and believe that the term of service of our Worshipful Brother whom we are this evening installing will be a happy one for him and for us.

BRETHREN: * * * * Hail your District Deputy Grand Master and salute him with the Private Grand Honors, taking time from the Master!

BROTHER DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER: I now proclaim and declare you duly installed, and in symbol of that fact I hand you the gavel of Masonic authority!

THE END OF THE CEREMONY

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Wardens, and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Masons in North Carolina:

I beg to submit herewith my sixth annual report:

Cash on Hand and in Transit, January 1, 1939-----	\$ 6,070.20
Received from Grand Secretary-----	86,864.22
Received from interest-----	213.20
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	\$93,147.62
Vouchers Paid-----	83,446.08
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On Hand and In Transit, December 31, 1939-----	\$ 9,701.54

The details of Income and Expenses are shown in both the Grand Secretary's and Grand Auditor's Reports.

Respectfully submitted

H. C. ALEXANDER, *Grand Treasurer.*

Referred to Finance Committee.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

TO THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA:

BRETHREN:

I herewith submit my twelfth Annual Report as Grand Secretary for the year ending December 31, 1939:

RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES

Dues for prior years-----		\$ 9,289.82
Dues for 1939-----	\$66,158.77	
Paid in advance -----	380.00	
Drewry Fund -----	1,880.10	
Permanent Fund -----	7,693.18	
Miscellaneous -----	97.90	
Defunct Lodges -----	70.78	
Refund on Audits -----	475.00	
Refund of Taxes -----	606.40	
Charter -----	30.00	
Claudy Books -----	28.00	
Dimits -----	166.25	77,586.88
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		\$86,876.70
Less Intangible Taxes -----	\$ 6.45	
Exchange on Checks -----	6.03	12.48
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		\$86,864.22

All of which was turned over to the Grand Treasurer.

Vouchers were drawn against the budget as follows:

	BUDGET	PAID
Oxford Maintenance -----	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
Oxford Interest -----	1,000.00	880.00
Oxford Debt -----	3,500.00	3,500.00
Masonic and Eastern Star Home -----	11,000.00	11,000.00
Charity -----	1,000.00	200.00
Salary Grand Secretary -----	3,600.00	3,600.00
Salary Grand Treasurer -----	100.00	100.00
Salary Grand Tiler -----	100.00	100.00
Foreign Correspondent Expense -----	300.00	300.00
Clerks -----	1,200.00	1,200.00
Masonic Service Association -----	800.00	784.42

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

	BUDGET	PAID
Grand Master's Conference Dues-----	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Grand Secretary's Guild Dues -----	10.00	10.00
Masonic Relief Association -----	140.00	134.44
Grand Master's Expense-----	1,000.00	1,000.00
Grand Secretary's Travel -----	500.00	109.85
Grand Lecturers -----	4,800.00	4,560.00
Auditing -----	600.00	612.50
Grand Historian's Expense -----	100.00	
Bonds -----	125.00	112.50
Printing Proceedings -----	2,150.00	1,608.22
Masonic Education -----	100.00	
Lodge Service Commission -----	250.00	10.42
Grand Master's Conference, Exp. G. M. -----	50.00	50.00
Grand Master's Conference, Exp. G. S. -----	50.00	42.50
Visiting Other Grand Lodges (G. M.) -----	75.00	75.00
Visiting Other Grand Lodges (G. S.) -----	75.00	67.20
George Washington Memorial Association--	50.00	38.75
Masonic Service Ass'n. (Exp. Rep.) -----	30.00	
Rent -----	1,050.00	1,050.00
Office Expense -----	600.00	509.88
Annual Communication Exp. Grand Officers	300.00	321.70
Annual Communication Exp. P. G. M. -----	200.00	136.91
Annual Communication D. D. G. M. -----	600.00	501.35
Annual Communication Custodians, etc. -----	150.00	103.80
Annual Communication, Others -----	50.00	27.16
Annual Communication, Credentials Com. --	30.00	30.00
Past Grand Master's Jewel -----	100.00	52.50
Past Grand Master's Apron -----	50.00	47.43
D. D. G. M., Travel Expense -----	1,000.00	385.70
Contingent -----	1,000.00	453.85
Claudy Books -----	1,000.00	1,000.00
Interest Drewry Note -----	60.00	60.00
Code Commission -----	300.00	
Printing Returns -----	150.00	145.00
Masonic Veteran Badges -----	350.00	
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	\$84,720.00	\$79,946.08
Oxford Orphanage Back Appropriation-----		3,500.00
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		\$83,446.08

CONSOLIDATION

On March 22, 1940, Elk Lodge, No. 373, and Ashler Lodge, No. 451, consolidated as Ashler Lodge, No. 373, at Deep Gap, N. C.

CHARTERS SURRENDERED

Clingman Lodge, No. 440—November 13, 1939.

Atlantic Lodge, No. 238—December 7, 1939.

Hatcher Lodge, No. 310—January 2, 1940.

CHARTER ARRESTED

Blowing Rock, No. 458—February 5, 1940.

NEW LODGE

On April 19, 1939, a charter was granted to Spindale Lodge, No. 673, at Spindale, N. C.

ESTIMATE OF MEMBERSHIP

Total Number of Masons January 1, 1939----- 26,721

Increase:

Errors in 1938 Returns-----	10	
Raised during 1939-----	746	
Admitted -----	377	
Reinstated -----	312	
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		28,166

Losses:

Died -----	462	
Dimitted -----	337	
Suspended -----	604	
Expelled -----	8	
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Total Number Masons January 1, 1940----- 26,755

Gain----- 34

CHARTERED LODGES

Number Lodges, April 1, 1939-----	335
Lodge Chartered -----	1
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	336

Charters arrested -----	1
Charters surrendered -----	3
Lost by consolidation -----	1
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Number Lodges April 1, 1940----- 331

The following lodges have not filed their returns and therefore must be cited to appear and show cause why their charters should not be arrested:

Craighead, No. 366; Lebanon, No. 391; Matthews, No. 461; Richland, No. 638; Luke McGlaughan, No. 504.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR THE
GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA

Commissions have been received and delivered to the following
Grand Representative:

Sweden-----CHARLES P. ELDRIDGE

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

By order of the Grand Master, Commissions were issued to
the following Brethren as our Grand Representatives near their
Grand Lodges:

North Dakota-----	HAROLD S. POND-----	Grand Forks
Columbia at Bogoto-----	DR. ELIAS PINZON NEIRA-----	Bogoto
Tamaulipas, Mexico-----	SALVADOR CERDA, JR.-----	Tampico
Vera Cruz, Mexico-----	ANGEL N. ROSAS-----	Vera Cruz
Peru-----	UDA B. MOSS-----	Lima
Queensland-----	H. VICKERS-----	Brisbane
South Australia-----	C. L. ABBOT-----	Adelaide
Arizona-----	CHARLES E. BELLIS-----	Nogales
New Hampshire-----	DANIEL W. COLE-----	Hillsborough

QUIT CLAIM DEED

On May 10, 1939, a quit claim deed for the property formerly
owned by Oak Grove Lodge, No. 557, was executed and delivered to
M. C. Dobbins, of Yadkinville, N. C. The amount received was
\$50.00.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. ANDERSON, *Grand Secretary.*

Referred to Finance Committee.

GRAND AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

I present herewith my report as auditor.

The financial records of Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer,
the Custodians of the Permanent Fund, the Masonic Temple Con-
struction Company, the Masonic Foundation of North Carolina,
Inc., Oxford Orphanage, and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home
of North Carolina, Inc., have been audited by me and complete
financial statements and reports have been rendered. These are on
file in the office of the Grand Secretary. In my opinion, these re-
ports show the financial position of the various interests of Grand
Lodge at December 31, 1939, and the result of operations for the
year ended on that date.

It is requested that the complete audit report of the Masonic Temple Construction Company and of Grand Lodge be referred to the Masonic Temple Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Jurisprudence Committee.

It is requested that the complete report on Oxford Orphanage be referred to the Oxford Orphanage Committee and the Finance Committee.

It is requested that the complete report on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home be referred to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home Committee and the Finance Committee.

Fraternally submitted,

K. W. PARHAM, C. P. A.,
Auditor, Grand Lodge of N. C.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The Board of General Purposes made the following report which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of General Purposes has read with keen interest and considered with care the address of the Grand Master and begs to offer the following report: It is possible that some Masons in this State are not aware of the fact that the Most Worshipful Brother who has worn the Purple of the Fraternity during the past year is and has been for many years the most widely known North Carolina Mason, both in America and to the uttermost parts of the earth. His able and brilliant labors in the field of Foreign Correspondence, his scholarly work on Standards of Recognition, and his significant and important contribution to the recently published revision of Gould's *History of Freemasonry* have carried his name and established his fame near and far. The members of this Board wish it were within their power to decorate John Edward Allen with a medal of an honorary degree for these eminent services to the Craft, and for the unusually fine and constructive record he has written during the last twelve months, but his reward in the respect and affection of his brethren is more precious than rubies, and that reward he has.

All parts of the Grand Master's address which deal with matters of law we refer to the Jurisprudence Committee; financial matters to the Finance Committee; items which concern the Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, to the committees, respectively, on those institutions; other matters are assigned, without further specific reference, to the committees which should properly consider them.

There are several points in the address upon which the Board wishes to comment briefly:

We note with interest that for the first time since 1927 there

is a net gain in membership, but we note with much keener interest the Grand Master's major objective—the enrichment of the Masonic experience of lodges and individual brethren. We have reason to hope that this fine objective has been, in part, at least, attained.

We commend the Grand Master unreservedly for the untiring industry and devotion he has manifested by his visitations, within the State and without, and we offer him our warmest congratulations upon the well deserved honor which has come to him in the Henry Price Medal.

We are delighted to learn of the faithful and effective labors of the District Deputy Grand Masters, and we urge the incoming Grand Master to continue in operation the machinery set up by Most Worshipful Brother Allen for their installation.

We approve the Grand Master's diligence and attention in purging the list of Grand Representatives.

We heartily endorse the Grand Master's Service Certificate plan, and we are sure the Finance Committee will see that he is reimbursed fully for his expenses in connection therewith. Moreover, we thank him for his generosity in donating the Twenty-Five-Year Certificates. We trust that the certificate plan will be continued.

We warmly favor the suggestion of the Grand Master that this Grand Lodge should provide for the retirement, at a fixed age, of its Lecturers, with emeritus standing; and that in all future appointments due consideration should be given to the educational qualifications of aspirants.

We believe that North Carolina Masons should be encouraged to take the Custodians' tests with a view to receiving certificates of proficiency in the ritual.

We subscribe without reservation to the Grand Master's recommendations with respect to the Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, and to his commendation of *The Orphans' Friend*.

We presume that the Grand Master believes that this Grand Lodge should continue its membership in the Masonic Service Association and in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association and should continue to send representatives to the Grand Masters' Conference. We think so, too.

We agree with the Grand Master in the opinion that the granting of honorary membership represents a fine and useful policy, and we urge the Jurisprudence Committee to propose the removal of the limitation of such membership to Past Masters.

We note the Grand Master's statement that "the expense fund allowed a year ago became exhausted quite a while ago." We feel sure the Finance Committee will take the necessary action.

We approve the Grand Master's recommendation with respect to the hall of Royal White Hart Lodge and with respect to the Joseph Montfort Medal.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. POTEAT, *Chairman*,
FRANCIS D. WINSTON,
CHARLES B. NEWCOMB,
R. C. DUNN.

The following messages were read:

Concord, N. H., April 11, 1940.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

153rd Annual Communication:

The Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, F. & A. M., extends fraternal greetings; also sincere wishes that you may have a most successful, constructive and harmonious communication.

Fraternally,

WARREN H. TUCKER, *Grand Master*.

Attest: J. MELVIN DRESSER, *Grand Secretary*.

Tampico, Mexico, April 16, 1940.

W. D. FERGUSON, Care John H. Anderson, *Grand Secretary*,
Masonic Temple, Raleigh, N. C.

As our representative please convey Grand Lodge North Carolina our fraternal greetings and best wishes for a successful annual communication.

GRAND LODGE OF TAMAULIPAS.

The following resolutions were introduced and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee (see their report):

Be it Resolved, That Regulation 277 of the Code be amended to make it read as follows:

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP: DEFINITION

REGULATION 277:

Honorary membership in a lodge depends entirely on continuous active membership in some other lodge. It confers no powers, rights or privileges in the lodge wherein it is conferred, like those of active or full membership. It imposes no duties; is not liable to dues or assessments either to the lodge or to the Grand Lodge; confers no right to vote or hold office in the lodge and is neither dual nor plural membership.

RESTRICTIONS:

A member of a subordinate lodge in North Carolina may not accept honorary membership in any Grand Jurisdiction which permits such membership therein to have or exercise greater powers, duties or privileges than those described in this Regulation, or which imposes duties or financial obligations on such membership.

A member of a subordinate lodge of another Grand Jurisdiction which does not permit honorary membership therein may not acquire honorary membership in this Grand Jurisdiction.

HOW ACQUIRED:

Any lodge at a stated communication, and by unanimous secret ballot, as provided in Sec. 125 and Sec. 126, upon a written proposal signed by at least three members of the lodge and received at a previous stated communication not less than twenty-eight days before such ballot, may confer honorary membership upon any Master Mason who, at that time shall be a member in good standing of a duly recognized lodge. Such proposal shall be subject to the provisions of Sec. 120, but no reference to a committee of investigation shall be necessary.

No lodge may confer more than three honorary memberships during a calendar year.

Any number of lodges may confer honorary membership on the same individual.

HOW TERMINATED:

An honorary member of a lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction who, by any means, ceases to be continuously an active member of some lodge, *ipso facto* loses his honorary membership in all lodges in North Carolina, which is not restored by a restoration to his active membership.

An honorary membership may be terminated, for good cause, by a vote of three-fourths of the members present and voting by written ballot, at a stated communication, notice of such proposed action having been given in open lodge at a stated communication not less than twenty-eight days before such vote, and at least ten days written notice by mail of such intended action having been given to such honorary member.

Termination of an honorary membership in any lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction for any cause, automatically terminates honorary membership held by that individual in all other lodges in North Carolina.

REPORTS:

Each subordinate lodge shall make such reports concerning honorary membership as may be required by the Grand Secretary.

DUES AND PER CAPITA TAX:

Honorary membership in lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction shall not be liable for per capita tax, dues or assessments, to either the subordinate lodges or to the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted, this the 16th day of April, 1940.

JOPPA LODGE, No. 530.

By H. L. INGOLD, *Master*,
E. C. BOLT, *Senior Warden*,
FRANK E. DAWSON, *Jr. Warden*.

Resolved, That the following regulation be adopted:

Reg. ---The Grand Lodge hereby establishes a medal or emblem to be known as the "Grand Lodge of North Carolina Veteran's Emblem", to be presented to Master Masons who have been continuously members of lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge for fifty years or more, this medal to be presented by the Grand Master or his representative and the cost thereof to be paid by the Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That the following regulation be adopted:

Reg. ---The Grand Lodge shall provide, at its expense, a suitable certificate to be known as the "Grand Lodge of North Carolina Service Award", to be presented to Master Masons who have been continuously members of lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge for 25 years or more, the award to be presented by the Grand Master or his representative.

Resolved, That the following regulation be adopted:

Reg. ---The Grand Lodge hereby establishes a medal or emblem to be known as the "Joseph Montfort Medal", to be presented by the Grand Master to any Master Mason in good standing and recognized by this Grand Lodge, who in the opinion of the Grand Master is deserving thereof because of distinguished service or achievement. Not more than three Joseph Montfort Medals shall be presented in any one term of a Grand Master. The cost of said medal shall be borne by the Grand Lodge.

The following resolutions were introduced and adopted:

Be it Resolved, That the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary be authorized and empowered to select the designs for the Grand Lodge of North Carolina Veteran's Emblem, the Grand

Lodge of North Carolina Service Award and the Joseph Montfort Medal, as established at this Annual Communication.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Finance Committee is hereby directed to prepare and submit its report, accompanied by a budget of estimated receipts and disbursements, not later than 8:00 p. m., Wednesday, April 17, 1940, the same to be taken up as first order of business after election of Grand Officers.

Resolved, Further, That all reports of Institutions, Officers and Committees, and all motions or resolutions carrying appropriations or expenditures of money shall be presented to, and acted upon by, the Grand Lodge, on or before 12:00 noon, Wednesday.

Resolved, Further, That all such reports, motions of resolutions coming in after the last named hour shall be carried over to the Grand Lodge of 1941.

The minutes were read and approved and the Grand Lodge called from labor to refreshment until 7:30 o'clock tonight.

FIRST DAY—NIGHT SESSION

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 7:30 o'clock, p. m., in the Masonic Temple by M. W. J. Edward Allen, Grand Master.

Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain.

Past Grand Master R. C. Dunn then presented the following officials who were welcomed and invited to seats in the East:

Governor Clyde R. Hoey.

Lt. Governor Wilkins P. Horton.

Supt. of Public Instruction Clyde A. Erwin.

P. G. M. Charles B. Newcomb then presented the following who were invited to seats in the East and accorded Grand Honors:

John H. Anderson, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter, R. A. M.

Thomas J. Harkins, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in North Carolina.

D. Ernest Bulluck, Grand High Priest, R. A. M.

H. M. Foy, Grand Commander, K. T.

Clyde H. Jarrett then presented the Past Grand Masters who were welcomed and invited to seats in the East.

P. G. M. A. B. Andrews then presented the following distinguished visitors who were invited to seats in the East and given Grand Honors:

Needham C. Turnage, G. M., of the District of Columbia.

Whiting Estes, Grand Marshal, of the District of Columbia.

H. W. Browning, G. M., of Rhode Island.

Clarence D. Freeman, D. G. M., of Virginia.

James M. Clift, G. S., of Virginia.

A. J. M. Wannamaker, S. G. W., of South Carolina.

O. Frank Hart, G. S., of South Carolina.

Melvin M. Johnson, P. G. M., of Massachusetts and Sovereign Grand Commander of the A. & A. S. R. of the Northern Jurisdiction, U. S. A.

The following address was made by the Grand Orator Hubert M. Poteat:

IN WHOM DO YOU PUT YOUR TRUST?

Masonry without God is unthinkable. As well try to imagine day without the sun or a sky empty of stars. No man can estimate the force of the impression made upon the mind of the candidate by the experience of meeting God at the very beginning of his initiation. Many petitioners know very little of the Order; most of them, unfortunately, fall unto the hands of the idiots—of whom every lodge on earth has at least one—who roll their eyes and talk of goats and greased poles and offer to bet the neophyte that he will back down before he has finished his three degrees. Even if the future brother escapes this noisome and noxious pest, he will make his alarm at the West Gate with some degree of excitement and with a sort of harried and uneasy readiness for any eventuality. But hardly has the door closed behind him when he hears a solemn voice from the East—maybe the voice of an intimate friend of the store or the shop or the street—bidding him remember that the blessing of God must always be sought on the threshold of a new enterprise and then actually praying for him! Now if he had gone into a church or a synagogue, he would have expected as a matter of course to hear about God: but he is in a Masonic lodge, with men sitting around the walls whom he had not thought of as particularly religious—and he is being called on at once to profess a belief in Deity! Certainly the thoughtful Mason will never forget that soul-stirring moment.

I should like to ask two questions this evening: first, what do we mean when we declare that our trust is in God? Second, what, if anything, do we propose to do about it?

The most interesting and in many ways the most instructive pursuit on earth is the study of the rise and development of the religious impulse among the sons of men. Experts tell us that of the thousands of races and kindreds and tribes on this planet today, only one obscure tribe, living deep in the Australian bush, has absolutely no gods of any description. I am disposed to doubt that there is even one tribe so utterly benighted; the remark of a certain wise Frenchman, "Man is incurably religious," has always been true.

But, my brethren, belief in one invisible, omniscient, omnipotent God—monotheism, to use a technical term—invariably appears late in the evolution of religious ideas. If we had a magic telescope which would enable us to peer through the stifling mists of superstition and ignorance and study primitive man in the jungle or

along the great rivers, we should probably discover that his first religious impulse arose out of fear. When lightning licked its flaming tongue out of the sky, when thunder deafened him with its mighty roar, when great winds swept his little hut away and strewed the earth with the dead bodies of his children and his cattle, when floods and earthquakes seized him in their lethal grasp, he concluded—quite naturally—that there was some unseen, hostile power directing these awful manifestations, and ere long he had devised a crude ritual by which he sought to avert from himself and his possessions what he thought of as the anger of this great and irresistible power. Thus religion was born. Since those far-away days it has clothed itself in forms fantastic and lovely, obscene and noble, grotesque and tender, insane and awe-inspiring; it has hurled madmen at each others' throats, ministered to the poor and needy, lighted the blazing faggots of war, upset thrones, brought peace unspeakable to aching hearts, turned the weak and erring into paths of righteousness, given men courage to face without a quaver the thumbscrew and the rack; it has wounded and healed, blessed and cursed, ruined and saved—and all in the name of deity.

In the long centuries of their struggle toward light and truth, the races of men have worshiped an infinity of gods of every character, kind, and description. Even beasts have been elevated into dignity of godhead; for example, the crocodile and the bull in ancient Egypt. There have been sacred plants and sacred trees; the winds have been given each a name and have been revered as divine; the sun and moon have probably had more worshippers than any other deity, ancient or modern. The two great columns in the porch of King Solomon's Temple were copies of the columns of a great pagan shrine on the island of Cyprus, off the coast of Phoenicia—a shrine built about a hundred years before the erection of the Temple, and these Cyprian columns were decorated with representations of the sun and moon.

Tribes and races low in the scale of mental and spiritual development are incapable of worshiping what they cannot see; hence, statues and images and idols—thought of either as accurate likenesses of the gods or, more commonly, as the actual gods themselves. So your savage constructs a monster, more or less manlike, but grotesque and hideous, the better to inspire terror, and kneels before it in abject humility and offers it all sorts of horrible sacrifices and will fight and die in its defense. Even the early Hebrews, as we learn in the Old Testament, were constantly straying from the worship of Jehovah to give their allegiance to various visible gods—of the Egyptians or of their other neighbors. We are told, indeed, that while Moses was receiving the Law on Mount Sinai, the people, believing that they had been abandoned by Jehovah, forced Aaron to make them a golden calf, a crude representation of the Egyptian bull god Apis, and fell down and adored it—to the vast disgust and anger of Moses.

Among many highly civilized peoples in the world's history,

all the genius of the greatest artists has been lavishly expended upon the creation of masterpieces of sculpture and painting, wherein gods and goddesses are set forth as creatures of supernal beauty and majesty. For example, one of the seven ancient wonders of the world, as everyone knows, was the huge gold and ivory Zeus at Olympia, wrought by Pheidias, the greatest of all sculptors. And so, in old Greece, Italy, Egypt, Persia, Asia Minor, there were uncounted myriads of statues of marble, of bronze, of gold and silver, of ivory, even of wood—statues of gods great and small, all of whom must be worshiped with meticulous fidelity to all the details of an elaborate ritual.

Now it must be constantly borne in mind that this variegated and impressive public display of artistic divinity was for the great masses of the people. Intelligent and thoughtful men no more believed in Jupiter and Horus and Dionysus and Ormuzd and Venus and Thoth than we do today. And with profound wisdom, the Roman Catholic Church has always provided for its mental and spiritual children by seeing to it that a likeness of the Virgin Mary is always to be found in the place of worship, no matter how small or how poorly furnished it may be.

Will you pardon a reference to a personal experience? Five years ago my wife and I spent a glorious day on the island of Capri, in the bay of Naples. Early in the afternoon we strolled into a little church and sat down to rest. While we were there an old woman entered. She was indescribably filthy, her feet were wrapped in sacks, her clothes were in rags; tears coursed down her wrinkled cheeks and her shoulders were bent as if beneath an unbearable burden. She knelt in prayer before the image of the Virgin. In less than ten minutes she arose and departed; and as we looked at her we forgot her dirty rags, for her face was shining like the face of an angel. She had had some sort of genuine spiritual experience which would not have been possible, for her, had not the Holy Virgin been actually before her eyes.

One of my favorite authors says: "If I were walking through an African forest and came upon a naked savage prostrate before a hideous idol, I should remove my hat—not as a tribute to his intelligence, but in token of my respect for his sincerity." And so, my brethren, gods without number and of endless variety have been piously worshipped through the ages by the children of men; and this earnest and, indeed, all but frenzied interest in the existence and attributes of powers supernal and in their designs and purposes with respect to their worshipers proves beyond the shadow of a doubt that religion, that is to say, man's conceptions of and attitude toward his gods, has ever been the most important consideration of his life.

"In whom do *you* put *your* trust?" Almighty God has always revealed Himself to nations and to individuals in exact proportion to their capacity to comprehend and appropriate and assimilate the revelation. A good many years ago Colonel Robert Ingersoll wrote

a silly book called, "The Mistakes of Moses." More recently, the president of the American Society of Freethinkers, one Joseph Lewis, has produced a still sillier volume entitled "The Bible Unmasked." Let us set up an odorous and idiotic trinity by adding to these two Adolph Hitler, who still insists that he has abolished the Old Testament. Now these men, and thousands of others like them have made no effort whatever to understand the conditions in the midst of which and out of which the varied collection of documents which make up the Old Testament arose. And of course they have been aided and abetted by the armies of pious souls who insist that every word in the Bible must be interpreted literally and that all parts of it have equal validity.

Let us examine a different point of view. Children in the grammar grades are not introduced to the binomial theorem or to psychology or to the great doctrines of the theologians. Their little books are filled with pictures, pictures, pictures (and parenthetically, the oldest and wisest of us still like at least an occasional picture to enliven the endless ranks of tiny black soldiers that march so relentlessly across the pages of our weighty tomes). We spend much time on the matter of the proper mental foods for the advancing intelligence of the child, and sometimes in our eagerness we almost find ourselves involved in very uncivil war over the manifold questions which arise in our study of this fascinating and perennial problem.

As the child grows into youth his ideas and conceptions alter insensibly but inevitably: Peter Rabbit and Grimms' Fairy Tales are no longer so thrilling as they once were; the precious little animal books are laid away by mother with a sigh and a tear and sweet memories; there are now new interests, a constant widening of the mental horizon; at last the fledgling stretches his strong young wings and flies away to work or to college and university—and the child has become a man who looks back, a bit wistfully, perhaps, upon his childish notions and illusions but sets his face to the future with a man's sober and serious outlook upon life.

So with nations; so with the Hebrews. In the days of their racial childhood, they thought of God as children do, and their religious leaders drew for them pictures of God which they could understand and told them stories about God which were not beyond the range of their developing mentality. These pictures and stories we have in the earlier portions of the Old Testament. There God is portrayed as a huge and terrible man who walks about the Garden of Eden in the cool of the day, converses freely with the patriarchs, permits Abraham to argue with him concerning the destruction of Sodom, shows Moses his "hinder parts," hardens the heart of Pharaoh (with a sadistic passion for the infliction of further punishment), wrestles with Jacob, dictates the minutest details of the furniture as well as of the ritual of the place of worship, repents of the evil he promised to visit upon Nineveh, commands the most shocking and hideous acts of cruelty, delights in

all sorts of offerings and sacrifices, is angry and jealous and capricious; in short he is a kind of heavenly tyrant, ruling over a restricted territory with absolute sway.

But the race of the Hebrews began to develop mentally, and their conceptions of Deity developed with them. In the graphic allegory of Jonah they were taught that God's power and mercy were not subject to geographical limitation; in the Book of Job, perhaps the sublimest drama in the world's literature, they learned of the divine compassion and the divine wisdom—guiding the universe, "with all its mighty and majestic harmonies." Years and centuries passed while the chosen people continued to grow from spiritual childhood toward maturity. Then spake Micah the prophet: "Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before the high God? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"

What a world of difference there is between the tyrannical tribal deity of earlier days and the God of whom the psalmists sing! "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want; He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me." "O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! * * * When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained, what is man that thou art mindful of him?" "The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy * * * Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him."

Thus, my brethren, the Old Testament becomes a thrilling record of the progressive revelation of God—a revelation which steadily rises in dignity and beauty until that glorious night wherein, under a star-strewn sky all ablaze with angelic melody, a Babe was born "Who changed all time into Before and After," and in Whom, as Paul says, the revelation of God became at last complete.

And what of us? Are we adults physically but still children in mind and spirit, or have we grown up symmetrically and wholly? Freemasonry does not seek to ascertain the intellectual and spiritual age of its initiates. It bids them, high and low, wise and foolish, press forward with holy zeal in the search for further and yet further light. But even the unthinking, careless pilgrim, dawdling indifferently up the Winding Stairs, cannot but be impressed with the Fraternity's stern contempt for contented mediocrity, for the static mind and life, for the narrow outlook. For Masonry says to the mental babe: "Grow up, my son; put away your childish notions of God and erect for yourself, by the sweat of your own brow, a man's house of belief and faith." And to the wise and prudent the

Order speaks, likewise: "The Grand Artificer of the Universe can never be compressed into your syllogisms and creeds and formulae; His train filleth the temple, and the whole earth is full of His glory; bathe your soul in its emanations and bend all your powers to the task of comprehending more fully His infinite majesty."

No two men have exactly the same conception of God. Masonry wisely avoids prescriptions and edicts; Masonry never pontificates nor dogmatizes nor thunders denunciation. Thus, Masonry has never bathed the earth in blood, nor gloated like a ghoul amid the weird shadows of the torture chamber, nor stood leering by the stake. Theology has been well defined as "the art of confounding oneself systematically." Masonry is not interested; it sees good in every man's creed, so long as it is his very own and the best his intellect and his heart can formulate.

Among the most tragic and disheartening phenomena of history have been the bitter conflicts waged in the realm of opinion; pre-millenarian and postmillenarian, fundamentalist and modernist, Jew and Gentile, Catholic and Protestant—fuming and arguing and consigning each other to hell, with the forces of evil rampant on every hand and threatening the very citadels of the kingdom of God. I believe in immersion, you hold to pouring or sprinkling; I insist upon the abolition of ecclesiastical authority, you like your hierarchies; I proclaim that every word in the Bible was dictated from on high to human scribes, you incline to the view that much of Holy Writ is allegorical or symbolical; I look upon catastrophes as direct visitations of the wrath of the Most High, you talk loudly of the laws of nature. Well, pretty soon you and I are red in the face and bawling at each other like a pair of savages. Freemasonry says to us, gently and yet firmly: "Stop playing the fool, my sons; there is too much work to be done for you to waste your time thus. Pick up the trowel and gird on the sword and go forth to build character and manhood and to fight, not one another, but the embattled powers of darkness."

It was Voltaire, I believe, who once shouted at an opponent, "I disagree with every word you say, but I am prepared to fight to the death for your right to say it." And Thomas Jefferson wrote: "I have sworn upon the altar of God eternal hostility to every form of tyranny over the human mind." Intolerance, my brethren, is the ugliest and wickedest of all the monstrous brood of old Mother Ignorance, and Masonry might well incorporate both those magnificent sentiments into its ritual and teachings.

What, then, are we to do in the presence of the child mind in the adult body, or when we hear the sputtering and fuming of intolerance? Here, for example, is the pious soul who writes to the editor of a newspaper to say that she has observed that several members of the Tobacco Control Board got hail-storms last summer; and here is an itinerant evangelist yelling from the pulpit, "You business men would better close your stores at the hour of morning service during the week and come to hear me preach. If

you don't, Almighty God will strike you dead." Impudent and hideous blasphemy, you say. Quite true; but wait; consider the man who tells you that the only way for you to get to heaven is to join his church, or who insists that unless you accept in full his interpretation of the Bible you are bound straight for hell; consider the ardent Baptist sister I heard about not long ago, who, when asked if she listened to Brother Governor Hoey's weekly broadcast of his talk to his Sunday School class, snorted indignantly and said, "Certainly not! he's a Methodist." Why, you say, all that such people are doing is to set up a little tin god in their own image and then to have the infernal effrontery to demand that you and I worship him or be forever lost.

Quite true, again. But if we hope and expect to help our bigots and our mental children, we shall have to approach them in a different attitude. First of all, we must be very sure of our own desire for intellectual and spiritual maturity. If we really have that desire in our hearts, the grand aim of our lives will be to seek to advance every day toward our goal. It will mean work, thought, study, prayer—an unceasing effort toward an ideal which, being mortals, we know is unattainable in this life, but which will go ever before us like the pillar of fire in the wilderness, leading us always upward to clearer, purer light. Our operative ancestors who labored on Mt. Moriah finished their Temple; we shall never finish ours until He raises us to the last, most sublime degree. The most heinous of all sins is to entertain unworthy conceptions of Deity. The true Mason, recognizing that fact, will therefore gird himself for the lifelong struggle for further, further, further light—for himself and for those who are still in darkness and content there to remain. He must first be humble, remembering the days when he was an ignorant or an intolerant child; he must then be patient, realizing that thinking is the hardest thing in the world to do and that most people never have the energy to do it; his task will call, too, for courage and determination and consecration, but it is the noblest task to which a man can set his hand—a task for which, some sweet day, those who are faithful unto death shall receive the wages of a master.

Brother Clyde A. Erwin then made a very pleasing address on Masonry and Education.

The Governor, Clyde R. Hoey, in his usual happy style addressed the Grand Lodge.

The Honorary Orator, Melvin M. Johnson, then made a very happy and delightful address which was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.

It is deeply regretted that we have no manuscript of this fine address.

Grand Master Turnage was then called on and briefly addressed the Grand Lodge.

The minutes were read and approved and the Grand Lodge called from labor to refreshment until 9:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9:30 o'clock in the Masonic Temple by M.'W.'. J. Edward Allen, Grand Master.

Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain.

REPORT ON NECROLOGY

The Committee on Necrology made the following report which was adopted:

*I said to the man who stood
at the gate of the years:
"Give me light, that I may
tread safely into the unknown",
and he replied:
"Go out into the darkness
and put your hand into the
Hand of God. That shall be
better than light and safer
than the known way."*

Down through the centuries to this good hour has come this deep longing in the human spirit for light and guidance in the unknown way. In this life man often sees but dimly the pathway he must tread. Man gropes and feels his way through the shadows, hoping to come to the light after a while. To feel and know that the Hand of the Infinite and Eternal is guiding us along life's pathway gives us hope and faith and courage to go on to the very end of this earthly journey, serving God and man as best we know.

The poet tells us that "on trailing clouds we come from God who is our home". Life is so mysterious! To understand life would mean that we could understand God. The tiny little cells out of which human life springs are worlds within themselves! Their secret is known only to God who created these tiny cells and set them on the way of life. Someone has said that an individual person began at least two hundred years before he saw the light of earth. May it not be that his life really began even ages before that? Time is nothing with God; He is not the God of time but of Eternity. Being the God of Eternity He has planted eternity within man who bears the likeness of His own image.

*It may be so—Plato thou reasonest well!—
Else whence this pleasing hope, this fond desire,
This longing after immortality?
Or whence this secret dread, and inward horror
Of falling into nought? Why shrinks the soul*

*Back on herself and startles at destruction?
'Tis the divinity that stirs within us;
'Tis heaven itself that points out a hereafter
And intimates Eternity to man.*

ADDISON—CATO.

Can we possibly think of the God of Masonry and of Religion as making man and paying the price that we know He has paid to lift man to higher and nobler things if man be such a creation that he is snuffed out at what we call death? All that we know about God makes us believe that God has planted Eternity in the very heart and soul of man; that man is made in God's own image and as such has that immortality within him "which survives the grave and bears the nearest affinity to that Supreme Intelligence which pervades all nature and which shall never, never, never die".

It was George MacDonald who said: "I came from God, and I am going back to God, and I won't have any gaps of death in the middle of my life." Whether we will or no the gap of death interrupts every life. It seems to be in the nature of things that this should be so. But what does all this really mean? The tiny seed falls into the earth. It disappears and we see it no more. Does the seed really die? Has it not rather given up its life to a much larger life in the plant and the flower? Does not the acorn have to fall into the earth and decay before we can have the stately oak? Why should it be otherwise with man? May it not be that death, rather than being the end of things, is only the beginning of a larger life on a higher plane of living? Why should God have created man in His own image and told him to have dominion over all things in earth if man's life ended at the grave? All the history of man's faith about himself and his world rebels against such an idea. We know that man is a creature of infinite significance and being such he overcomes the grave and enters the larger life in the Great Beyond.

*The stars shall fade away, the sun himself
Grow dim with age, and nature sink in years;
But thou shall flourish in immortal youth,
Unhurt amidst the war of elements,
The wreck of matter and the crush of worlds.*

ADDISON—CATO.

Somewhere there is the story of an old vase found in the mummy pit in Egypt by a traveller who sent it to the British museum. The librarian having unfortunately broken it discovered in it a few peas, old, wrinkled, and as hard as stone. The peas were planted carefully under a glass and at the end of thirty days these seeds were seen to spring up into new life. They had been buried in that old vase for thousands of years and had slept all of that time, apparently dead yet still living in the dust of the tomb.

If God can do this with peas, why not with the highest of His creation, human spirits?

Another year has slipped away, and we are all one year nearer the end of our earthly journey. During the past year the Grim Reaper has taken away a number of our brethren to the life in the Supreme Grand Lodge above where the Great and All Glorious Grand Master presides. Upon the honored shoulders of two who have left us during the past year has rested the purple of our Fraternity—Walter Scott Liddell and Roy Francis Ebbs. Their physical forms have vanished from our human sight; we see them no more but somewhere in God's great universe at this very moment their immortal spirits still live on a higher plane, in a better world where no pain and suffering are known, and their abiding influence is still with us, hovering around us in thought and in memory and in deeds they have left behind. We shall not forget them. We cherish their memory here; we commend their spirits to God who gave them. May they rest in peace, and may we so live the immortal life here that we shall be joined with them hereafter in glory everlasting.

The following memorials were presented:

WALTON CRUMP WICKER

1867-1939

An appraisal of the life and character of a man and a Mason is determined by the esteem in which he is held by his associates and his brethren. Once in a while we are blessed with the wholesome influence of a Christian character. We were so blessed when God permitted Dr. Wicker to remain among us.

On August 31, 1939, this Fraternity lost by death one of its most distinguished members, Dr. Walton Crump Wicker, of Elon College, who for almost half a century had been a brilliant Mason and who had served this Grand Lodge with distinction on many occasions. A son of the Reverend J. D. and Delitha Thomas Wicker, he was born in Chatham County on March 23, 1867, during the darkest days of our Southland.

Dr. Wicker was graduated from Elon College in 1894 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and the following year received the same degree from the University of North Carolina. Columbia University made him a Master of Arts, and he sought further academic light at Johns Hopkins, Duke, Chicago, and the University of Virginia. He was honored as a Doctor of Literature by Palmer College, Missouri, and as a Doctor of Divinity by Union College, Indiana. He was a member of Phi Delta Kappa Fraternity.

On July 12, 1893, Dr. Wicker was married to Miss Pattie Newman, who survives him. He also leaves three sons, W. S. Wicker, with the Atlantic Coast Line railway; Dr. Daniel Wicker,

of the engineering department of North Carolina State College at Raleigh; the Reverend Worth Wicker, pastor of the Episcopal Church in Greenville; and two daughters, Mrs. L. R. Johnson, of East Orange, New Jersey; and Mrs. Ruth Rogers, of Elon College.

After leaving the University of North Carolina, he was co-principal of Damascus High School in 1895-96, and professor of science at Elon College, 1896-99. For three years he did mission work at Newport News, Virginia, and in 1903 returned to Elon College. He headed the department of education until five years ago, and was head of the mathematics department at the time of his death. Dr. Wicker also served the State Department of Education for several years as assistant inspector of high schools, having begun such service in the year 1921.

He was a pious and devoted member and minister of the Congregational-Christian Church, and the college which he served so long is an institution of that denomination.

Worshipful Brother Wicker found time to devote to Masonry in spite of his teaching duties. He was raised a Master Mason on April 6, 1905, in Tobasco Lodge, No. 271, at Gibsonville, and became a charter member of Elon Lodge, No. 549, on January 9, 1907. He was exalted to the Holy Royal Arch in Chorazin Chapter, No. 13, at Greensboro, on November 19, 1908, and served it as High Priest in 1914. He demitted from Chorazin Chapter on June 2, 1921, and became a charter member of Burlington Chapter, No. 84. At the time of his death he was again a member of Chorazin Chapter, through a consolidation of Chorazin and Burlington Chapters.

He was greeted a Royal and Select Master in Greensboro Council No. 3, and was admitted to Alamance Council No. 21, at Burlington, as a charter member on March 12, 1924. He was Knighted in Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8, at Greensboro, on November 20, 1914, and became a charter member of Burlington Commandery No. 32, on May 11, 1922.

He was an active and enthusiastic member of James W. Courtland Lodge of Perfection, Guilford Chapter Rose Croix and Greensboro Consistory, and was honored as Knight Commander Court of Honor by the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction.

He was a thorough student of Masonic symbolism, and the religious and philosophical aspects of the work. For a number of years he was Assistant Grand Lecturer of Grand Lodge and through this and other means he built up a wide acquaintance among his brethren who esteemed him not only for his erudition and willing activities but also for his strength of character and positive personality. For seven years, 1923-1930, he was Educational Field Secretary of the Grand Lodge and effectively supervised the program of Masonic Education, submitting to Grand Lodge at each of its Annual Communications full and complete reports of his activity.

Worshipful Brother Wicker was elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina in May, 1928, and presided over its Convocation at New Bern in 1929. He was anointed, consecrated and set apart to the High Priesthood on May 5, 1914, at New Bern, and was elected President of the Grand Convention of Anointed High Priesthood of North Carolina on May 11, 1920.

He was Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, of North Carolina for three years, 1917-1919; was a fellow of the Grand College of Rites of the United States of America; and was made a frater in North Carolina College S. R. C. F. on January 13, 1934, being Celebrant of the College at the time of his death.

Dr. Wicker was vitally interested in the Masonic and Eastern Star Home at Greensboro. He was chairman of its board of directors, and was attending the Robert Morris Day exercises at the institution when he was stricken.

To us the world will not seem quite the same without his keen sense of humor. He was good company wherever he chanced to be, and his willing and valiant service, and his dependable, loyal friendship will be sorely missed. It is the way of life and we must from time to time have those removed from us who have lived and labored with us. It would be a sad world indeed if we were not imbued with the faith that is within us, that he is not far away, even if we cannot hear his voice and touch his hand. Until we shall meet and know him again his memory is sweet to us and will linger long in the lives he has touched.

*"They never quite leave us,
The Brethren who have passed
Through the shadow of death
To the sunlight above;
A thousand sweet memories are
Holding them fast
To the places they blessed with
Their presence and love".*

LUTHER T. HARTSELL, JR.

SORROW

SYMPATHY

FAITH

On the morning of December 29, 1939, Illustrious Brother

ROY FRANCIS EBBS,

Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, fell into eternal sleep. He left surviving his widow, formerly Miss Lucy Rhinehardt, a daughter, Mrs. B. V. Penland, a grandson, Roy Timothy Penland, his father, J. N. Ebbs, of Bluff, N. C., and two sisters and one brother.

Brother Ebbs was born at Bluff, Madison County, April 4, 1890. He was educated in the public schools of Madison County and at Spring Creek Seminary. Brother Ebbs began his business career in the town of Marshall, Madison County, where he engaged in the mercantile business under the name of Ebbs and Holcomb. In 1917 he retired from this firm to become Assistant Cashier of the Bank of French Broad at Marshall. His fine character and qualities were soon recognized and in 1919 he became associated with the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company of Asheville. From time to time he was advanced to positions of more and more responsibility, and in 1929 he was made a director and Assistant Vice President of the Bank. In December, 1938, he went with the First National Bank and Trust Company, of Asheville, and assumed the responsibility of Manager of the Public Relations Department of this bank, which position he held at the time of his death.

Past Grand Master Ebbs was widely and favorably known throughout North Carolina and especially throughout the whole of the Western part of the State. From the very beginning and through to the end of his residence in Asheville Brother Ebbs took a leading part in all civic and social activities of the community. His business duties and responsibilities were great but he always found time to be of service to individuals, to his church, to the fraternities of which he was a member, and was active in the Community Chest, Chamber of Commerce, Associated Charities, and other organizations of like character working for the alleviation of human suffering and for the welfare of mankind. Brother Ebbs served the Asheville Golf and Country Club as President, was President of the Asheville Clearing House Association, member of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Bankers Association, Past President of the Good Roads Association of Asheville and Buncombe County, President of the Asheville Chapter of American Institute of Banking and a former Secretary of the Western North Carolina group of the North Carolina Bankers Association.

Brother Ebbs was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in French Broad Lodge, 292, at Marshall, July 31, 1914. He served as Master of the Lodge in 1918. Upon moving to Asheville, his Blue Lodge membership was transferred to Mount Hermon Lodge, No. 118, on December 1, 1921. He received the Capitular Degrees in Asheville Chapter, No. 25, in 1921, and in December of that year he was made a Mark Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master, and was exalted to the Royal Arch. He served as High Priest of his Chapter in 1925. In November, 1922, he was initiated in Ionic Council, No. 9, R. and S. M., Asheville, and served as Master of the Council in 1927. He received the Red Cross and Malta Cross in Cyrene Commandery, No. 5, K. T., in May, 1924, and was knighted May 23, 1924. He was elected Commander in 1926.

Brother Ebbs received the degrees fourth to thirty-second inclusive of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction in the Bodies in the Valley of Asheville in October, 1914, and was subsequently elected to and served as head of the Lodge of Perfection, the Chapter of Rose Croix, the Council of Kadosh, and the Consistory in the Valley of Asheville. Brother Ebbs was an active and deeply interested Scottish Rite Mason. His activity and interest in the work of the Scottish Rite and in its affairs were notable, and in recognition of his valuable services, the Supreme Council of the Thirty-third Degree of the Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction in 1923 honored Brother Ebbs with the rank and decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor, and on October 25, 1935, the rank and dignity of the Thirty-third Degree Honorary was conferred upon Brother Ebbs by the Supreme Council at Washington.

Past Grand Master Ebbs was also a member of the Red Cross of Constantine and was a Past Potentate of Oasis Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

The Masonic career of this illustrious Mason was climaxed by his elevation to the exalted position of Grand Master of the Masons of North Carolina at the 1934 communication of the Grand Lodge. He distinguished himself in this high position by pressing with appropriate energy the educational program and other work of the Grand Lodge during the year of his incumbency.

Brother Ebbs was active and always showed a lively and energetic interest in the business, fraternal, social, civic and religious life of his community. A forceful evaluation of the life and usefulness of this loyal and devoted Mason is expressed in an editorial in the *Asheville Citizen*, the leading newspaper published in the City of Asheville, at the time of Brother Ebbs' death as follows:

"The death of a useful citizen in the prime of his life is always tragic. When the deceased has entwined his own life into the lives of hundreds through lovable traits and wide associations, his passing assumes the dimensions of a community's tragedy.

"To know Roy Ebbs was to love him. To dislike him was as difficult as to dislike the sunshine. His extraordinary geniality, his freedom from pettiness, his readiness to speak a generous word and to do a good deed for others, his unfailing courtesy—all of these combined to make him one of the most beloved characters in this city and section.

"Honors came to him in profusion without any seeking on his part. Everyone liked to vote for Roy Ebbs, for any post of honor or of responsibility for which his name was mentioned. He inspired confidence by his unceasing public spiritedness. He commanded friendly interest by his uncommon kindness of thought and word and act. The result was that his life in Asheville was

marked throughout by multiplying evidences of the esteem and affection in which he was held in all ranks of our municipal society.

"His leave-taking now bereaves many organizations and circles and individuals. It removes a gracious influence which made for a sunnier view of life. It emphasizes afresh the age-old truth that man achieves his richest success when he earns the affection of his fellowmen."

Brother Ebbs' notable career as citizen and Mason is outstanding in the annals of the fraternity in this State. His friendliness and fraternal instincts, cultivated and expanded by long and active association in Masonic affairs, endeared him to his Brethren everywhere.

The Masonic Fraternity in the State of North Carolina in all of its Lodges and branches suffers irreparable loss which the death of this good Brother brings upon us. His life and his work were a benediction to the people among whom he lived and an inspiration to the fraternity in this State. With drooping hearts we mourn his loss, but we do not question the wisdom of the Great Architect of the Universe Who took Brother Ebbs away from us and reposed his soul in the soft arms of His eternity.

By the Committee:

THOS. J. HARKINS,
M. E. HOFFMAN,
H. G. ETHERIDGE.

WALTER SCOTT LIDDELL

Past Grand Master 1904-1905

The history of Masonry in Charlotte, his home, and to a large degree in North Carolina, runs parallel to and is woven into the life-story and career of Walter Scott Liddell.

To narrate this history is to define his leadership in the establishment and perpetuation of this movement. To cover the steps of its progress is to follow the landmarks erected by his individual energy, foresight, and devotion to this cause.

His dedication to the faith of Masonry belongs, in point of time, to the earlier period of his life, actually dating back to his initiation in Phalanx Lodge No. 31, September 22, 1890, or exactly fifty years ago.

At that time, he was thirty-eight years of age, a business leader in the more militant and achieving prime of his life in Charlotte where he moved in 1875 from Erie, Pa., at which place he was born June 21, 1852.

It was four years after he had been married in 1886 to Miss Helen Ogden, of Binghamton, New York, that Brother Liddell took his first step in Masonry.

After having been initiated, September 22, 1890, in Phalanx Lodge, No. 31, passed November 10, 1890, and raised January 12, 1891, he was elected Worshipful Master in June, 1892, and again in June, 1893.

He was advanced February 13, 1891, in Charlotte Chapter No. 39, R. A. M., inducted February 20, 1891, received and acknowledged February 27, 1891, and exalted March 13, 1891, he was elected High Priest in March, 1895.

On April 20, 1891, he was created and constituted a Knight Templar and in 1894 was elected Eminent Commander of Charlotte Commandery No. 2, K. T., and was re-elected to succeed himself in 1895.

His connection with Scottish Rite Masonry began in July, 1894, when these degrees were communicated to him. He was appointed Special Deputy by the Supreme Council Southern Jurisdiction to endeavor to create interest in Scottish Rite Masonry in North Carolina on October 7, 1895, and on October 23, 1903, he received the Thirty-third degree at Washington, D. C.

His extraordinary enthusiasm for the cause of Masonry and the wide recognition of his merits as a champion and leader in this institution continued to push him rapidly into higher honors and responsibilities.

He was elected Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of North Carolina May 14, 1895: Grand High Priest of Grand Royal Arch Masons in North Carolina May 12, 1896: Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters in North Carolina May, 1897, again in May, 1898, and again in May, 1900, and yet again in 1901.

He was elected Most Worshipful Grand Master of this Grand Body of Masons in North Carolina January, 1904, and again in January, 1905, serving two terms.

It is a unique mark of the esteem in which he was held in Masonic Circles that Brother Liddell never held an appointive office. The honors were thrust upon him from the ranks. His nomination as Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, R. A. M., came from the floor, and in the Grand Commandery, he was first elected Grand Generalissimo and the following year was elected Grand Commander.

Brother Liddell was the moving spirit in the establishment of Oasis Shrine Temple in Charlotte. In July, 1894, nine Knights Templar, W. S. Liddell, B. Swift Davis, Dr. J. F. Robertson, John Farrior, C. L. Hopkins, W. H. Belk, W. B. Summersett, D. E. Allen, and George Meredith applied to Acca Temple, Richmond, Va., for the order of the Mystic Shrine. Their applications were accepted and they were initiated in Acca Temple, Richmond, Virginia, with the understanding that their application for dispensation to form a temple in Charlotte would be forwarded immediately

to the Imperial Council, meeting July 24, 1894, at Denver, Colorado. Their application was turned down by the Imperial Council, but was afterwards granted by the Imperial Potentate, Wm. B. Melish, and on October 10, 1894, Oasis Temple was founded, Brother Liddell being appointed Potentate until the Charter was granted. He was elected Potentate annually for three years thereafter. Of these nine Charter members, only one survives, W. H. Belk. Oasis Temple Charter was granted by the Imperial Council at its meeting at Nantasket Beach, Sept. 2, 1895.

The growth of the Scottish Rite and the creation of the Widow's Fund of Oasis and Omar Temples were always considered by Brother Liddell as his crowning achievement in Masonry.

At the time of his death, he was serving as president and treasurer of this fund, vice-president of the Charlotte Masonic Temple Association, and emeritus member of the Imperial Council A. A. O. N. M. S.

Brother Liddell's intense interest in and enthusiasm for Masonry were merely mirrors of his friendliness and his love of and for people. These were dominant passions of his life. He enjoyed the companionship of kindred spirits not only, but he was at home in any circle of culture or of lowliness, never out of place whether he was amid the dignities of some select company or down in the lanes of needy ministering out of the abundance of his own sympathy to the alleviation of human distress.

He had a deep understanding of human nature. It was his charity and tolerance toward the faults of others which silenced his tongue from criticism. He was kindly in all of his references to friends or strangers, magnanimous in his appraisals of their virtues or vices, cordial in his considerations of their successes or failures.

This, too, explains the constantly and consistently kind and considerate regard which he exhibited toward all men. He was patient and forbearing and long suffering, always giving the other fellow the benefit of the doubt, never harsh or vulgar in his estimates of his friends or neighbors or citizens at large.

Brother Liddell's capacity for executive ability and especially for organization was reflected not only in the creative services he rendered Masonry, but in the affairs of business to which he devoted his time and talents.

He was an integral factor in the maintenance of a large industrial business in Charlotte which was planted not after the South had become industrialized, but rather as a forerunner of the development of this nature which has characterized the life of the South, principally since the turn of the century.

While Brother Liddell far outlived the majority of his contemporaries in the social and business regimes of his community and even in the circles of Masonry where his devotions largely

lay, new companionships to be made, younger friendships to be formed, and other personal relationships to be established, he never lost his zest for life and his enthusiasm for active co-mingling with his fellowman.

Without yielding to lament over the passing of the old, he gripped the new in his usual hearty stride, and remained a congenial and inspiring companion even in his octogenarian days to the more youthful blood that was introduced into the range of his acquaintanceships.

Brother Liddell died in the honor and esteem of his fellow citizens, acclaimed as among the pioneer and major developers of the new Charlotte, a business executive of conspicuous capacities and achievements, loyal to the best traditions of his people and community, cultured without being high-brow, aristocratic without being austere, or aloof, or unapproachable by any type of society of human being.

Brother Liddell left his mark indelibly imprinted in the life and character of the thousands who have come and gone in and out of this Grand Body, and for forty years he served this Grand Body in a most acceptable manner. His counsel was sought and obtained in the construction of this Grand Lodge Building. The Committees and Boards he served are too numerous to mention.

Left alone with a multitude of friends and acquaintances who came to admire and many to have a deep-seated affection, to mourn his passing from us in the flesh are his widow, Mrs. Helen Ogden Liddell, and two daughters, Mrs. D. B. McBride and Miss Anna Forbes Liddell; one sister, Miss Eva Liddell, and several grand-children.

He was a devout member of the First Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina. He passed to the Great Beyond February 21, 1940, and was laid to rest February 23, 1940, in Elmwood Cemetery, Charlotte, North Carolina.

"SUNDOWN

*"When my sun of life is low,
When the dewy shadows creep,
Say for me before I go,
'Now I lay me down to sleep.'*

*I am at the journey's end,
I have sown and I must reap;
There are no more ways to mend—
'Now I lay me down to sleep.'*

*Nothing more to doubt or dare,
Nothing more to give or keep;
Say for me the children's prayer,
'Now I lay me down to sleep.'*

*Who has learned along the way—
Primrose path or stony steep—
More of wisdom than to say,
'Now I lay me down to sleep'?*

*What have you more wise to tell
When the shadows 'round me creep?
All is over, all is well—
Now I lay me down to sleep."*

—Bert Leston Taylor.

HERBERT C. ALEXANDER.

WILLIAM DANIEL TERRY

Grand Tiler

*Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge
of North Carolina:*

Christmas Eve, December 24, 1939, Brother William Daniel Terry died at Raleigh, North Carolina. There was love in his heart for people, especially children, and for his work.

Brother Terry was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on August 20, 1890, in Anchor Lodge No. 234, A. F. & A. M., at Auburn, N. C.

February 13, 1899, he affiliated with William G. Hill Lodge No. 218, A. F. & A. M., at Raleigh, North Carolina, where he retained an active membership until his death.

He was also a member of the following Masonic Bodies: Raleigh Chapter No. 10, Enoch Council No. 5, Raleigh Commandery No. 4, Carl A. Woodruff Lodge of Perfection, John C. Drewry Chapter of Rose Croix, Wilmington Consistory, Oasis and Sudan Temples, A. A. O. N. M. S., and Capital Chapter, No. 162, O. E. S.

He was Tiler of William G. Hill Lodge, No. 218, A. F. & A. M., from May 18, 1918, to December 24, 1939, and a Life Member thereof.

He was Tiler of other Masonic Bodies and Grand Tiler of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina from 1919.

GRAND TILER EMERITUS

The following Resolution was read and adopted at the 152nd annual communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in April, 1939:

"RESOLVED, that in recognition of the long and faithful service of Brother William Daniel Terry, the Grand Lodge of North Carolina is pleased to make him Grand Tiler Emeritus during his lifetime."

Brother Terry was born at Wilder's Grove, St. Matthews Township, Wake County, North Carolina, on July 30, 1861. He was the son of Joseph R. Terry and Rebecca Frazier Terry.

Two children, Wilbur and Henry, died in infancy and the other two, A. L. Terry and Mrs. Pearl Liles, survive at this time of his marriage with Julia A. Wilder on November 7, 1883.

He was an ardent member of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Raleigh, N. C. The funeral service was conducted by the Pastor of this Church and he was buried with Masonic ceremony in his old family plot in the City Cemetery of Raleigh, N. C., on December 26, 1939.

Brother Terry was personally known by those outside of the Fraternity because of his efficient and happy duties as keeper of the State Capitol building and grounds at Raleigh, N. C.

Insight into his character is shown by the following signed testimonials of Master Masons from his own files:

"Received of W. D. Terry \$10.00 in full payment of donation to the Masonic Building Temple Fund." John C. Drewry, Grand Secretary, January 4, 1906.

"Thanks for the box of cigars you sent me on Christmas. Benjamin R. Lacy, December 27, 1909."

"No one has followed with more interest and pleasure than myself the steady progress you have made in the employment of the State of North Carolina." J. M. Broughton, May 1, 1920.

"Mr. Terry is faithful, energetic and conscientious in his work. He is one of the most accommodating men I ever saw." T. W. Bickett, Governor, January 6, 1921.

"I wish to thoroughly commend you for the fine attention which you uniformly give to visitors to the Capitol." Clyde R. Hoey, Governor, December 14, 1937.

Galatians, 6th Chapter, Verse 7—Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

The beautiful work of God is manifest not alone in man but even in the dust of the field.

The famous pillars of the porch of Solomon's Temple were cast in the clay grounds on the banks of the River Jordan. Their beauty also holds the material of their birth.

Brother Terry was born on the clay banks of the River Neuse. The stone of the North Carolina State Capitol came from the same source within a few miles of his birthplace.

Behold the unusual soft, warm, glowing rainbow hues of the stones of the North Carolina State Capitol building at Raleigh and therefrom smiles their devoted servant, William Daniel Terry.

*"What is life when wanting love?
Night without a morning;*

*Love's the cloudless summer sun,
Nature gay adorning.*"—BURNS.

Fraternally submitted,

C. T. McCLENAGHAN, P. M.

PRESENTATION OF GAVEL

A beautiful gavel was presented to the Grand Lodge:

This aluminum gavel is presented to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina by Yadkin Falls Lodge, No. 637. Made in Badin from aluminum produced in North Carolina by the Carolina Aluminum Company, under the supervision of S. A. Copp, General Superintendent.

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION

The committee made the following report which was received and ordered spread on the minutes:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

During the month of October, 1939, the Committee on Masonic Education mailed to every Lodge in the State two documents. The first was the following letter from the Grand Master:

"To Officers of North Carolina Masonic Lodges:

"I commend to all Masonic Lodges in North Carolina the message of the Committee on Masonic Education. The slipshod manner in which much of the Masonic work, many of the Masonic Lodge meetings, of the past in this State have been conducted has been responsible for much of our trouble—lack of interest, poor attendance, no candidates, a Masonry without influence. In my judgment this poorly conducted sort of Masonry must come to an end. Masters must plan their meetings, secretaries must give personal attention to their duties and abandon mailorder methods; candidates must discover what Masonry is; the brethren must have a part in the work of the Lodge.

"I urge every Lodge to spend a dollar on "The Master's Book", and every Worshipful Master to use it. He should read the fifth chapter over and over, as well as others. I make it the duty of every Master to see that the Claudy books are placed in the hands of every candidate and that the candidate reads them carefully.

"I urge every Lodge to call on the Committee, whose chairman is Brother Poteat, to assist in providing well prepared speakers for suitable occasions. I further urge all Lodges and Masters to cut out and abandon definitely the practice of killing time in Lodge meetings with senseless extemporaneous speeches which start from nothing and get nowhere. Let us definitely enrich our Masonry, and let us start now!

"(Signed) J. EDWARD ALLEN, *Grand Master.*"

The second was the following letter from the Committee:

"To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

"Grand Master J. Edward Allen is attempting this year 'to preach to the Masons of North Carolina the doctrine of the value of enriching the Masonic experience within the Lodge and outside the Lodge.'

"The Committee on Masonic Education finds itself in hearty approval of this policy and makes herewith a few suggestions to Masters, officers, and brethren:

"The more one knows about any group or society to which he belongs, the better member he will be. And the time when the most effective and lasting instruction can be given to a Mason is the period during which he is receiving the degrees. We urge the Lodges (a) to use the pamphlet, "The Lodge System of Masonic Education," published in 1935 by order of Grand Master Chas. B. Newcomb. Five copies were sent to every Lodge in the State at the time of publication. If extra copies are needed now, the Grand Secretary's office can supply them at .25 each (send cash with order). We urge the Lodges (b) to see to it that every candidate receives his set of Brother Carl H. Claudy's exposition of the degrees—the appropriate volume after each degree. We earnestly believe that the adoption of these two suggestions will supply the best possible insurance policy on the future of our Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction.

"The enrichment of Masonic experience within the Lodge can be most surely attained, we are convinced, by the expenditure of a little time and thought on the preparation of interesting programs. For the guidance and assistance of the Master and his committees we recommend:

"(a) The Short Talk Bulletins sent each month to every Lodge in North Carolina by the Masonic Service Association, of which our Grand Lodge is a member.

"(b) The purchase by every Lodge of at least one copy of 'The Master's Book', by Brother Carl H. Claudy. This little volume is an invaluable source of help and inspiration for Masters of Lodges, not only with respect to such matters as the duties and powers of the East, but because it contains chapters on the art of presiding, on entertainment and attendance, on setting the Craft to labor, etc. The book may be ordered from The Temple Publishers, 10th and G Sts. N. W., Washington, D. C.; it costs only one dollar postpaid.

"(c) Earnest and frequent practice in the catechisms.

"Finally, it does all Lodges good to hear occasionally a prepared address by a visiting brother. We have in North Carolina a number of well qualified Masonic speakers who are always delighted to be called upon to talk to their brethren. The expenses of out-of-town speakers ought always to be paid promptly, of course. If the undersigned committee members can assist you in arranging special addresses, they will be happy to do so.

"—The Committee on Masonic Education."

The committee has of course no definite information on the extent to which the suggestions advanced in these two letters were actually carried out, but we do believe that they were and are and will be sound, practical, and potentially productive of substantial results.

—*The Committee on Masonic Education,*

H. M. POTEAT, *Chairman,*
F. M. PINNIX,
W. E. CALDWELL,
A. M. ATKINSON,
H. H. MCLEAN,
C. H. JARRETT.

REPORT BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF OXFORD ORPHANAGE

The Directors made the following report which was referred to the Committee on Finance and the Oxford Orphanage Committee:

To the Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of Directors of the Oxford Orphanage has held its four regular quarterly meetings during the year and transacted such necessary business as came before it. Regular reports were made by the Superintendent of the Orphanage which involved finances, population, condition of buildings and grounds, reports of the meetings of the Executive Committee and Advisory Board.

The Oxford Orphanage during 1939 has furnished care and training for 388 pupils; 38 were admitted during the year and 56 were discharged. The Grand Lodge of North Carolina paid its appropriation for 1939 and in addition completed its past due appropriation from former years. The Grand Lodge likewise made its annual payments on the principal of the building fund as well as the interest on the same. We call attention to the financial set up provided by the Superintendent in this pamphlet.

During the year considerable improvements to buildings have been made at a cost of approximately \$13,000, and the buildings improved are now in thoroughly modern and first class condition.

We want to express appreciation to the Masonic Lodges of North Carolina for their assistance in making

the Thanksgiving Campaign a success and for their fine cooperation in sponsoring the visits of the Singing Class and the circulation of *The Orphans' Friend*. We wish to express also appreciation to the Trustees of the Duke Endowment for their generous allotment and to the State of North Carolina for its continued annual appropriation for maintenance. We call special attention to the increase in the endowment of the Orphanage through special gifts and legacies. Superintendent Proctor is making special efforts to accomplish this purpose and we are gratified with the results which have been obtained. We also recognize the improvements in the educational qualifications of teachers and other workers in the Orphanage and wholeheartedly endorse this movement. We rejoice that our graduates and former pupils continue to make good and thereby prove that the investments made in the Oxford Orphanage pay the highest dividends. Your Board of Directors endeavor to keep in touch with the affairs of the Orphanage and its activities and again urge the reading of the annual report of the Orphanage as prepared by the Superintendent and urge also that more of our brethren avail themselves of the opportunity of visiting Masonry's Home for the homeless at Oxford. We also recommend that the Grand Lodge continue to give full support to the Oxford Orphanage and continue to hold its place among similar agencies in this and other states in an effort to provide an opportunity and a chance for those children who, through no fault of their own, may be deprived.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Directors of Oxford Orphanage

J. EDWARD ALLEN, *Grand Master*,
Ex-officio Chairman,

THOMAS J. HARKINS,	R. L. FLOWERS,
CHAS. P. ELDRIDGE,	J. W. WINBORNE,
JAMES E. SHIPMAN,	T. L. SIMMONS,
ALEXANDER B. ANDREWS,	LUTHER T. HARTSELL, JR.,
R. C. DUNN,	BENJAMIN CONE.

NUMBER OF CHILDREN CARED FOR

DURING YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1939

and Counties From Whence They Came

ALAMANCE -----	7	IREDELL -----	4
ANSON -----	2	JACKSON -----	5
ASHE -----	5	JOHNSTON -----	7
AVERY -----	2	LEE -----	4
BEAUFORT -----	6	LENOIR -----	15
BERTIE -----	8	MADISON -----	11
BUNCOMBE -----	6	MARTIN -----	1
BURKE -----	3	MECKLENBURG -----	9
CALDWELL -----	2	MONTGOMERY -----	9
CABARRUS -----	2	MOORE -----	2
CARTERET -----	7	NASH -----	8
CASWELL -----	2	NEW HANOVER -----	8
CATAWBA -----	3	NORTHAMPTON -----	1
CHATHAM -----	3	ONSLOW -----	3
CHEROKEE -----	5	ORANGE -----	12
CHOWAN -----	2	PAMLICO -----	2
CLEVELAND -----	8	PENDER -----	5
CLAY -----	2	PERSON -----	4
CRAVEN -----	1	PITT -----	6
CUMBERLAND -----	5	POLK -----	2
CURRITUCK -----	5	ROBESON -----	2
DAVIE -----	4	RICHMOND -----	4
DURHAM -----	11	ROCKINGHAM -----	4
DUPLIN -----	13	ROWAN -----	9
EDGECOMBE -----	3	RUTHERFORD -----	4
FRANKLIN -----	11	SAMPSON -----	5
FORSYTH -----	4	SCOTLAND -----	1
GATES -----	2	STANLY -----	6
GASTON -----	3	SURRY -----	3
GRAHAM -----	2	UNION -----	3
GRANVILLE -----	11	VANCE -----	4
GREENE -----	3	WAKE -----	12
GUILFORD -----	17	WARREN -----	5
HALIFAX -----	3	WATAUGA -----	2
HARNETT -----	6	WAYNE -----	6
HENDERSON -----	3	WILKES -----	5
HERTFORD -----	1	WILSON -----	5
HYDE -----	6	YANCEY -----	1

The full report may be obtained from the Superintendent at Oxford.

OXFORD ORPHANAGE COMMITTEE

The committee made the following report which was referred to the Finance Committee:

The Committee on the Oxford Orphanage wishes to report on a highly successful year at the institution. The committee held a

meeting in Oxford in the fall and its members have been there individually. It assisted in the Thanksgiving campaign by sending letters to the committee chairmen of individual lodges. The fund raised was \$13,574.28. The money was most efficiently spent. The two boys' cottages which were remodeled are now in excellent condition and adequate lighting has been provided in reading rooms over the campus. The committee desires to compliment Bro. Proctor on a task well performed and to felicitate him as well in the excellent spirit which is maintained at the home. It wishes also to express its thanks to the lodges of the state for the way in which they rendered support last fall. For the record of the year's work the committee refers to the printed report of the Superintendent herewith submitted.

The Committee submits the following recommendations and requests:

1. All lodges are requested to send their collections to the Orphanage quarterly or at regular intervals.

2. Many lodges instead of sending flowers to the funeral of a deceased brother give the money to the Orphanage Library for the purchase of a book which is marked with the name of the brother thus commemorated. A letter is written to his family by the Director. This practice is suggested to the lodges for their consideration.

3. Two of the girls' cottages and the little boys' cottage are badly in need of remodelling and the school building and infirmary need redecorating. The lodges are therefore urged to cooperate fully next fall in the Thanksgiving campaign that these buildings may be put in good shape.

4. The problem of a proper auditorium is called to the attention of the Grand Lodge, in accordance with the recommendation of the Grand Master.

5. The lodges are urged to assist in the promotion of the Singing Class under the new plan that we may not lose our valuable contact with the institution.

6. All Masons are urged to become subscribers to The Orphans' Friend to keep in touch with Masonic activities in the state.

7. Masons are reminded that contributions are deductible from income tax reports and inheritance taxes, and that the institution presents an admirable place for the establishment of memorials. The endowment of the institution should be enlarged by gifts and legacies.

8. Finally, all Masons are urged to visit the Orphanage and see for themselves what a fine work is being done there that they may feel proud that the Masonic Order has not forgotten its obligation to these children who are in great need.

It has been a real pleasure and privilege to serve on this committee of the Grand Lodge for the Oxford Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. CALDWELL, *Chairman*,
W. L. McIVER,
J. E. ROOKER, JR.

ADDRESS

M. W. Harold W. Browning addressed the Grand Lodge with a few pleasing remarks and presented Grand Master Allen with the Rhode Island medal for DISTINGUISHED SERVICE:

JOHN EDWARD ALLEN

Man of many talents and many activities constantly applied to the service of God and his fellowmen.

Prominent leader in the field of education, beloved teacher, efficient administrator, author and editor of note; life-long and devoted servant to the youth of his native soil.

Mason par excellence; thirty-one years a loyal and faithful Craftsman; admitted to membership in all the branches of York Rite and Scottish Rite Masonry and promptly appointed and elected to positions of leadership and trust in both Subordinate and Grand bodies.

Foreign Correspondent extraordinary for the Grand Lodge of North Carolina for eighteen consecutive years, reviewing with gifted insight and appealing interest the proceedings of the Grand Jurisdictions of this country and of many foreign countries.

Student and acknowledged authority on Latin-American Masonry; recognized throughout the United States and in many foreign lands as a Masonic scholar of distinction; worthy recipient of many Masonic honors both at home and abroad.

In recognition of those sterling qualities that you evidence as a Christian gentleman, an exemplary citizen, and a noble Craftsman, and in appreciation of your many outstanding contributions to Masonry, it gives me especial pleasure to present to you the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island Medal for Distinguished Service. May it ever be a token of our high esteem for your splendid character and noteworthy achievements, but may it also serve as a symbol of the high regard which the Masons of Rhode Island hold for their brethren of North Carolina.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS

The committee made the following report which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Appeals respectfully submits the following report:

1. In the case of Lenoir Lodge, No. 233, of La Grange, which was required by our report at the last Annual Communication to furnish a transcript of the trial proceedings of Ronald C. Fields, we find that said transcript has been furnished, and shows no error in proceedings. We recommend approval of the verdict of expulsion.

2. In the appeal by the Worshipful Master and the Secretary of Liberty Lodge, No. 45, of Wilkesboro, from the action of the lodges in finding Turner M. Inscoc not guilty of unmasonic conduct as charged, we find that no evidence was submitted to controvert the prima facie evidence submitted at the trial, showing his conviction in the Federal Court on a charge of manufacturing and selling spirituous liquors. The verdict of not guilty rendered at the lodge trial was therefore contrary to the evidence. We recommend that the verdict be reversed, that he be found guilty, and that he be declared expelled under Section 151 (6) a. of the Code.

Fraternally submitted,

HARRY T. PATERSON, *Chairman*,
ROSCOE M. WYNN,
S. H. GREEN,
R. I. THOMPSON,
H. L. TAYLOR,
HARRISON KAUFFMAN.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

The Grand Secretary made the following report which was received and ordered spread on the minutes:

REPORT SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SECURITY

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

At the last Grand Lodge the following resolution was passed (see page 85, 1939 proceedings) "That the Grand Secretary be empowered to make the survey and to advise and assist in obtaining orderly, uniform and proper action on the part of any that may be subject to those laws, or that may be exempt therefrom."

A questionnaire was sent to every lodge, chapter, council and commandery in the state and from the replies received they were divided into five groups as follows:

1. those that had paid the tax and would continue to be liable.
2. those that had paid the tax but may avoid the tax in future.
3. those that have been liable for the tax but have not paid and will continue to be liable.
4. those that have been liable and not paid but the amount involved is too small to bother with.
5. those that have not been liable.

Under the amendments passed by the last Congress salaries to men 65 years old or over are liable beginning with January 1, 1939, and if the tax has not been paid on these payments they must be included in the next return, unless the recipient has died or left the employ of the corporation.

Organizations that are exempt from income tax law are exempt on payments that do not exceed \$45.00 in any quarter. This provision was not in the bill as passed by the house. I went to Washington and saw Senator Bailey and suggested an amendment to the law that would exempt individuals and fraternal organizations where the amount would not exceed a normal amount during the year as it would cost the government more to keep the accounts than the amount of taxes collected. He said he would offer such an amendment. He was a member of the Senate Finance Committee and left his conversation with me to attend a meeting of that Committee. When the Senate finally passed the amendments it had that provision in regard to payments that would not exceed \$45.00 in any quarter. So I suppose that amendment was the result of my conversation.

Those in group one were so notified.

Those in group two were advised that if they could arrange the payments that no person received more than \$45.00 in any quarter they would be exempt.

Those in group three were advised of their liability and their attention called to the penalty. The proper forms were also sent them to be filled out and information as to where they could obtain Social Security numbers and the place to file their returns.

Those in group four were also notified of their liability under the old law but that they were now exempt under the 1939 amendments.

COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

The committee made the following report which was adopted:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

BRETHREN:

Your Committee on By-laws begs to report that numerous changes in the by-laws of lodges have been approved but all were in accord with the law or custom of the fraternity.

Several unlawful changes have been proposed but when the attention of the lodge was called to the law the suggestions were cheerfully changed or abandoned.

Fraternally yours,

J. H. ANDERSON, *Committee.*

MASONIC TEMPLE COMMITTEE

The committee made the following report which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Masonic Temple Committee reports as follows:

The Committee met in annual session with the following members present:

F. D. Winston, E. W. Timberlake, E. W. Yates, D. K. Medford, J. H. Anderson, R. C. Dunn, A. B. Andrews and F. I. Watson.

E. W. Timberlake was elected Chairman and D. K. Medford as Secretary of the meeting.

The report of the Grand Auditor was read and adopted, showing a net profit for the year of \$7,918.98.

The question of raising the rental fees on offices was brought up and it was decided to make no change at this time.

The following Directors were elected:

E. W. Timberlake, A. B. Andrews, J. H. Anderson, F. I. Watson, E. W. Yates, D. E. Bulluck and Millard McKeel.

Fraternally submitted,

D. K. MEDFORD, *Secretary.*

TRUSTEES OF PERMANENT FUND

The trustees made the following report which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Trustees of the Permanent Fund submit the following report:

INCOME ACCOUNT

Received from Interest N. C. Bonds-----	\$ 2,445.00
Interest Masonic Temple Notes-----	2,649.33
Interest Oxford Note-----	880.00
Interest on Deposits-----	394.85
Dividends Car. P. & L. Co. Stock-----	350.00
Dividends Amer. T. & T. Co.-----	675.00
Dividends Rey. Tobacco B.-----	299.00
Total-----	\$ 7,693.18

DISBURSEMENTS

Dec. 23—Paid J. H. Anderson, Grand Secretary-----	\$ 3,500.00
Dec. 30—Paid J. H. Anderson, Grand Secretary-----	4,193.18
	\$ 7,693.18

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Jan. 1, 1939—Balance on hand-----	\$ 5,923.02
Dec. 19, 1939—Payment on Oxford Note-----	3,500.00
Dec. 31, 1939—Cash on hand—Total-----	\$ 9,423.02

SECURITIES HELD

4 Masonic Temple Notes, \$7,500.00 each-----	\$30,000.00
1 Masonic Temple Note-----	14,155.43
1 Oxford Orphanage Note-----	14,100.00
10 Shares Masonic Temple Stock-----	10,000.00
10 4½ % N. C. Highway Bonds, due Jan. 1, 1940----- Nos. 37670 to 37679 inclusive.	10,000.00
20 4½ % N. C. Highway Bonds, due Jan. 1, 1946----- Nos. 39509 to 39528 inclusive.	20,000.00
10 4½ % N. C. Highway Bonds, due Jan. 1, 1947----- Nos. 51601 to 51610 inclusive.	20,000.00
2 4½ % N. C. Highway Bonds, due Jan. 1, 1947----- Nos. A-77580 to 77581.	10,000.00
4 4½ % N. C. Institutional Bonds, due Jan. 1, 1966----- Nos. 20201-04-05 and 20471.	4,000.00
8 4¾ % N. C. Educational Bonds, due Oct. 1, 1963----- Nos. M-15605 to M-15612 inclusive.	8,000.00
50 Shares Carolina Power & L. Co. Stock, 7%-----	5,000.00
75 Shares Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co. Stock, cost-----	11,164.77
130 Shares Reynolds Tob. B. Stock, cost-----	5,808.65

NOTE—The \$10,000.00 Bonds, due Jan. 1, 1940, were redeemed and no suitable investment has yet been found for the money.

JOHN C. DREWRY MEMORIAL FUND

The trustees made the following report which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Trustees of the John C. Drewry Grand Secretary Memorial Fund submits the following report:

PRINCIPAL REPORT

	RECEIPTS	DISBURSE- MENTS
1 9 3 8 —		
Dec. 31—Balance Cash on hand-----	\$.77	\$
1 9 3 9 —		
July 5—Payment \$9,800 Mas. Tem. Con. 4s, called for payment July 1, 1939---	9,800.00	
July 5—J. S. Bache & Co., payment 125 shs. R. J. Reynolds Tob. B. 100 shs. @ 38½, 3825, coms. \$16.00. 25 Shs. @ 38¾, \$959.38, coms. \$4.00, odd lot tax \$1.15, Post. and Ins., .22		4,805.75
Aug. 11—J. S. Bache & Co., purchase 75 shs. Consolidated Edison Co. com- mon at 33, \$2,475.00, coms., \$12.00, odd lot tax, \$6.75, Post. and Ins., .22, \$2,493.97. 62 Shs. Reynolds Tob. Co. B. com- mon at 40, \$2,480.00, coms., \$10.54, odd lot tax, \$2.83, Post. and Ins., \$1.22, \$2,493.59 -----		4,987.56
Dec. 31—Total Disbursements -----		\$ 9,793.31
Balance Cash on hand-----		7.46
Totals-----	\$ 9,800.77	\$ 9,800.77

INCOME ACCOUNT

1 9 3 8 —		
Dec. 31—Balance Cash on hand-----	\$.00	\$
1 9 3 9 —		
Jan. 3—Coupons \$9,800.00 Mas. Tem. 4s--	196.00	
Jan. 4—Dividends 40 Shares P. H. Hanes Knitting Company, 7%-----	70.00	
Jan. 13—Div. 55 Shs. Amer. T. & T.-----	123.75	
Jan. 14—J. H. Anderson, Grand Secretary, income to date-----		389.75
Feb. 16—Div. 65 Shs. R. J. Rey. B, common	32.50	
April 4—Div. 40 Shs. P. H. Hanes Knit. Co.--	70.00	

1939 —	RECEIPTS	DISBURSE- MENTS
April 13—J. H. Anderson, Grand Secretary, Income to date-----	\$	\$ 102.50
April 17—Div. 55 Shs. Amer. T. & T.-----	123.75	
May 16—Div. 65 Shs. R. J. Reynolds B.-----	32.00	
July 1—Int. on \$9,800.00 Mas. Tem. 4s---	196.00	
July 5—Div. 40 Shs. P. H. Hanes Pfd.---	70.00	
July 10—J. H. Anderson, Grand Secretary income to date-----		422.25
July 15—Div. 55 Shs. Amer. T. & T.-----	123.75	
Aug. 16—Div. 190 Shs. R. J. Reynolds-----	95.00	
Sept. 16—Div. 75 Shs. Con. Edison Co.-----	37.50	
Oct. 2—Div. 40 Shs. P. H. Hanes Knit. Co.-----	70.00	
Oct. 16—Div. 55 Shs. Amer. T. & T.-----	123.75	
Oct. 16—J. H. Anderson, Grand Secretary, income to date-----		450.00
Nov. 16—Div. 190 Shs. Reynolds B.-----	95.00	
Nov. 16—Div. 62 Shs. Reynolds B.-----	31.00	
Dec. 16—Div. 75 Shs. Consolidated Edison-----	37.50	
Dec. 18—Div. 140 Shs. Pa. R. R. Corp.-----	140.00	
Dec. 18—J. H. Anderson, Gr. Sec., interest--	60.00	
Dec. 19—J. H. Anderson, Grand Secretary income to date-----		363.50
Dec. 26—Div. 190 Shs. Reynolds B.-----	57.00	
Dec. 26—Div. 62 Shs. Reynolds B.-----	18.60	
Dec. 26—Div. 65 Shs. Pennroad Corp.-----	6.50	
Dec. 26—Div. 40 Shs. Hanes Knit. Co., 7%-----	70.00	
Dec. 29—J. H. Anderson, Grand Secretary, income to date-----		152.10
Dec. 31—Total Disburse. and Receipts----	\$ 1,880.10	\$ 1,880.10

SECURITIES HELD

- 55 Shares American Telephone and Telegraph Company.
- 10 Shares American Woolen Company, Pfd.
- 25 Shares Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company.
- 40 Shares P. H. Hanes Knitting Company, Pfd.
- 140 Shares The Penn. R. R. Company.
- 65 Shares The Pennroad Corporation common stock.
- 252 Shares R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company B.
- 75 Shares Consolidated Edison Co. of New York common.

CHARITY COMMITTEE

The committee made the following report which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Wardens, and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.:

BRETHREN: I am submitting herewith a report of the expenditures of the Charity Committee for the calendar year 1939. It is with much pleasure that we can report a very poor year insofar as appeals for aid are concerned. A detailed report is shown herewith.

Jan. 30, 1939—Winston Lodge, 167—Bro. Nathan Horton—	\$ 50.00
Mar. 3, 1939—Fuquay Lodge, 258—Bro. W. L. Whittington—	50.00
June 3, 1939—Mas. Rel. Ass., Norfolk, Va.—	
Mrs. E. M. Brinkley—	100.00
Dec. 23, 1939—Wallace Lodge, 595—Bro. R. W. Armstrong—	50.00
Dec. 26, 1939—Appeal received from Henry F. Grainger Lodge, 412, but action was not taken until January, 1940	
	<hr/> \$250.00

An appeal from the Ruth Lodge, No. 89, of Norfolk, Va., was received, asking for aid for Mrs. Jenkin David, but after careful investigation this appeal was rejected.

Respectfully submitted,
A. O. ALFORD, *Chairman Charity Committee.*

REPORT OF GRAND HISTORIAN

The Grand Historian made the following report which was adopted:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Grand Historian had sincerely hoped during the year to prepare for your consideration a condensed study of the precedence of American Grand Lodges based on historical facts. The subject is one which should be carefully studied over an ample period of time, statements verified, and facts only presented. It was impossible during the short period of twelve months to assemble the required data to present this report at this time.

Our own Grand Lodge has never claimed for itself the precedence that is her due and it has not been accorded this Grand Lodge by other American Grand Lodges. However, the United Grand Lodge of England and Grand Lodges on the continent of Europe have recognized the precedence of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina as dating from the original charter or warrant granted to Joseph Montfort as Provincial Grand Master of America. In this connection, it might be well to refresh the minds of the present Masonic generation by quoting from the address delivered by Rev. Numa F. Reid, D.D., January 14, 1871, at the special communication of Grand Lodge held in Raleigh on that date to observe the Centennial Anniversary of Grand Lodge. After quoting the charter presented by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of York Masons of England, he says:

"A doubt in the minds of some has arisen as to the precise date of the organization of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. It is quite proper that I lay before you on this occasion the facts."

The "Free Mason's Monitor," republished in the year 1818, contains this statement: "The Grand Lodge of N. C. was first constituted by virtue of a charter from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, A. D. 1771. It convened occasionally at New Bern and Edenton, at which latter place the records were deposited previous to the Revolutionary War. During the contest the records were destroyed by the British Army and the meetings of the Grand Lodge suspended."

Mitchell, in his history of Masonry, says there is no record of this in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. He, however, states that in the year 1767, the Grand Lodge of Scotland granted a provisional commission to Col. John Young, who had long acted as Deputy Grand Master over all the Lodges in America and the West Indies.

I think the mistake into which the "Monitor" has fallen results from confounding the Grand Lodge of Scotland with the Grand Lodge of England, or rather the charter issued by order of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England. Others, too, in this way have made the same mistake. The only charter issued on the 14th day of January, 1771, is the one by authority of the Grand Master of England. Doubtless, some lodges were organized in North Carolina about this time under warrant derived from other sources than this charter. The disputes which arose between some of them as to the priority of number, after the reorganization in 1787, indicates this. Further, I find in the "Cyclopedia of Masonry," by Macoy, this statement taken from the records of St. John's Grand Lodge at Boston, Mass., October 2, 1767: "A dispensation was made out for the Right Worshipful Thomas Cooper, Master of Pitt County Lodge, in North Carolina, constituting him Deputy Grand Master of that Province. And he was commissioned with power to congregate all the brethren, then residing, or who should afterwards reside in said Province into one or more Lodges as he should think fit, and in such place or places within the same as should most redound to the benefit of Masonry."

The first Lodge established under this authority was at Crown Point, in Pitt County. Some Lodges, no doubt, were also established under the warrant from Scotland. But I think from the best evidence we have on this subject, most of the original lodges formed in North Carolina were organized under this English Warrant. Robert Williams, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge in 1812, makes this statement which in my judgment settles the question. He says: "I fortunately received into my possession the Great Charter under the sign manual, sealed with the seal and impressed with the Coat of Arms of the Duke of Beaufort, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient York Masons in England, dated at London, the 14th day of January, A. D. 1771, constitu-

ting and appointing Joseph Montfort, Esq., then of Halifax, North Carolina, Provincial Grand Master of America, authorizing and empowering the said Joseph Montfort, as Provincial Grand Master, to make, constitute and regulate Lodges in his, then Majesty's Provinces of America." This document is important in the history of Masonry in this State, as it shows in what manner several of the oldest Lodges under our jurisdiction obtained their authority. The Royal White Hart Lodge No. 2, in the town of Halifax, is one deriving its original constitution from this source.

The Great Charter was preserved among the archives of this Lodge in Halifax, and is claimed by them, from whom the temporary possession was obtained by me, accompanied with a promise to return it. I have since addressed the Lodge respectfully in my official capacity, soliciting this instrument as proper to be deposited among our grand archives, it being the original authority of the Craft in our State, *and the foundation of that Jurisdiction which we now exercise.* The Lodges constituted under this charter in the regal government of this country were mostly those which after the Revolutionary War assembled in convention at the town of Tarboro, in A. L. 5787, and established the authority of which we are now possessed. "In summing up these statements, the conclusion is drawn, that the Lodges deriving authority from this English Charter, composed mostly the Convention that assembled in the town of Tarboro in 1787, and *reorganized* the Grand Lodge, whose regular communications had been suspended during the Revolutionary War. The preservation of this charter, by those who were actors in that Convention, and the testimony of Grand Secretary Williams, who was a contemporary with some of those actors, is conclusive in my judgment. This Convention of 1787, no doubt embraced the Lodges formed under the warrant from Scotland, and also those deriving their authority from St. John's Grand Lodge at Boston. No matter from what sources the Lodges composing this Convention in 1787 derived their authority, this fact stands by the concurrence of all authorities, that the Convention simply *reorganized* the Grand Lodge."

We present this without comment as it seems to speak amply for itself.

During the year the Grand Historian has made an attempt to complete the biographical sketches of Past Grand Masters and wishes now to thank the brethren who prepared these sketches. It appears that it would be wise to continue this type of historical work in future and prepare sketches of early officers and brethren who helped to make our Grand Lodge what it is today. It appears also, that it would be wise to encourage the subordinate lodges, especially the older ones, to have local histories prepared and print a certain number of these Lodge histories in the Proceedings each year. Several Lodges in the State have had histories prepared and have had them published. Other historical articles on the early Lodges of the State and the Provincial Grand

Lodge over which Right Worshipful Joseph Montfort presided have been published.

From this data, it appears that our Grand Lodge should be able to establish without question its precedence among the Grand Lodges of the world.

Respectfully submitted,

J. RAY. SHUTE, II, *Grand Historian.*

DIRECTORS OF THE MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME

The Directors made the following report which was referred to the Finance Committee and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home Committee:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

We, your Board of Directors, submit this, our 26th annual report of the operation of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home for the year ending December 31, 1939.

In the twenty-six years we have cared for 146 women and 106 men, a total of 252. We have also helped 33 others on Home Aid.

Of the 252 who lived in the Home, 234 were sent there by the Masonic Lodges and 18 by Eastern Star Chapters.

Our present enrollment is 66 in the Home and 15 on Home Aid. This is the largest enrollment we have had in four years.

During the year we lost seven guests by death. Their average age was about 77 years, and the average length of time each had lived in the Home was about six and a half years. We admitted ten new guests, their average age being about 72 years. Our average enrollment for the year was 63.8 in the Home and 15.58 on Home Aid, a total of 79.

The Chapel is about complete, and the solarium connecting the Chapel with the main building will be finished in a few months.

The annual audit was made by Brother K. W. Parham, and shows the following:

INCOME

Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M.-----	\$11,000.00
Grand Chapter of North Carolina, O. E. S.-----	8,000.00
Subordinate Lodges -----	1,278.27
York Rite Bodies-----	155.25
Donations from Individuals-----	188.97
Income from Guests-----	985.81
Miscellaneous Income -----	241.16
Interest from Improvement Fund-----	1,554.17
Current Fund Surplus-----	1,851.53
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	\$25,255.16

EXPENDITURES

Administrative and General.....	\$ 4,954.84
Institutional Care of Guests.....	14,777.51
Fuel, Light, Water, Cemetery, etc.....	1,944.24
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Direct Cost.....	\$21,676.59
Repairs, Insurance and Grounds.....	1,885.19
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Total Cost of Home.....	\$23,561.78
Home Aid	1,693.38
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	\$25,255.16

The per capita cost for 1939 was slightly under that for 1938.

All funds belonging to the permanent funds are invested in United States and North Carolina Bonds.

We wish to again express our sincere thanks for your loyal support of the Home, and request an appropriation from this Grand Lodge of \$12,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EDWARD ALLEN, *Grand Master*; THOMAS J. HARKINS, *Deputy Grand Master*; CHAS. P. ELDRIDGE, *Sr. Grand Warden*; JAMES E. SHIPMAN, *Jr. Grand Warden*; JOHN S. MCEACHERN, J. E. LATHAM, W. R. SMITH, JOHN J. PHOENIX, W. P. HENLEY, BEN CONE, J. HOWARD BROWN, E. R. FORD.

MRS. HARRIET POWELL, *Grand Matron*, MRS. LEOLA BYERLY, *Asso. Grand Matron*; MRS. ATHALEA BROWN, MRS. GERTRUDE WOODBURY, MRS. MINNIE K. LEWIS, MRS. ALICE H. PARKER, MRS. CLYDE P. FITZGERALD, MRS. DAISY MAE DAVIS.

Board of Directors.

NEXT ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

The brethren from Asheville extended a very cordial invitation for the Grand Lodge to meet in Asheville for the Annual Communication of 1941 and by an almost unanimous vote it was accepted.

The minutes were read and approved and the Grand Lodge called from labor to refreshment until 7:30 o'clock tonight.

SECOND DAY—NIGHT SESSION

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 7:30 o'clock in the Masonic Temple by M. W. J. Edward Allen, Grand Master.

Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain.

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME

The committee made the following report which was adopted:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

We, your Committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, beg to make the following report:

We have met with the Superintendent, Treasurer, and Auditor and learned some very interesting facts. The Superintendent, Brother George R. Bennette, reports that the morale of our guests is excellent and that a happy family of sixty-four are at the Home, at an average age of approximately 78 years. He reports that the physical properties and sanitation of the Home are in excellent condition.

Upon investigation of the financial condition, we find that it was necessary last year that there be used for operating expenses \$1,851.00 from funds donated for special purposes. Your committee does not think this a healthy condition, and feels that the Grand Lodge should make appropriation of a sufficient amount to enable the Home to operate without further diversion of such funds. We therefore recommend that an appropriation of \$12,000.00 be made for 1940. We also recommend that this appropriation be paid in equal monthly installments.

We commend the Superintendent, Brother George R. Bennette, and those who labor with him, for the fine work they are doing at our Home. Their first aim is to see that our guests are properly cared for and happy. We also commend him for the economy with which he has been able to operate the Home.

WATSON N. SHERROD,
M. SALIBA,
M. Y. JARRETT,
W. H. HALLIBURTON.

MASONIC LOAN FUND

The committee made the following report which was adopted:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Masonic Educational Loan Fund Committee once more makes its annual report to this Grand Body.

After reviewing the returns made one year ago and finding a few discrepancies in the reports, your Committee wrote each Institution calling their attention to this and asking them to correct these discrepancies. We wish to state that all the colleges cleared up these matters in the reports received this spring.

One of the leading colleges in the state has requested permission to consolidate the Masonic Loan Fund with about ten other Loan Funds which they have and this matter has been considered by your Committee and the following action adopted:

While it may be somewhat troublesome for a college to keep a separate account of the Masonic Loan Fund, we think this should be done, at least to the extent if in the future we should decide for any reason to withdraw the fund it would be intact.

There appears to be a trend towards the creation of government funds and grants for educational purposes which may ultimately, if expanded, render loan funds of the character of the Masonic Loan Fund unnecessary or useless, and your committee is of the opinion that the identity of the Masonic Loan Fund in the several schools should be sufficiently preserved so as to enable their withdrawal if found at any time to be advisable.

After writing several letters to Brevard College and wiring them last week we have yet to hear from this college.

Your Committee did not deem it necessary to make a detailed statement of the condition of each fund this year as all colleges with the exception of the one mentioned above, have their funds in reasonably good condition, showing great improvement since the beginning of the regulation requiring colleges to make annual reports.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. HARKINS,
ROSS SHUMAKER,
WM. RITCHIE SMITH.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LECTURER

The Grand Lecturer made the following report which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

In coming to the close of the third year of my administration as Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, it is very gratifying to note the marked improvement in the general condition of Freemasonry throughout the State. A keen interest and unmistakable enthusiasm cannot help be observed in a very large percent of the Lodges. Officers, and other members of many

lodges, have shown an eager desire and determination to become more proficient in both the catechism and ritualistic work. During the past year your Grand Lecturer has spent much time and effort in trying to encourage officers and members of many lodges along this line, and am happy to report most gratifying results.

With few exceptions the lodges have shown a greater interest in the Lecture Service. All four of the Assistant Grand Lecturers have been kept busy most of the year, and many lodges have made requests for the service that could not be given them at the time, on account of the Assistant Grand Lecturers being booked ahead.

During the past year—

Brother W. D. Wilder has lectured-----40 Lodges

Brother J. F. Marquette has lectured----37 Lodges

Brother J. W. Patton has lectured-----36 Lodges

Brother P. C. Stott has lectured-----45 Lodges

Making a total of-----158 Lodges Lectured

There are in Brother Wilder's district four lodges that have not had lecture service for five years or more, and one lodge that has not had the service for four years. There is one lodge in his district in which he believes lecture service would do no good, and believes charter should be taken up or consolidated with some other lodge. He has made request to four different lodges in his district that refused to respond or give him an engagement.

There are two lodges in Brother Marquette's district that have not had lecture service for five years or longer, and one lodge for four years. There are three lodges that he believes dead and that lecture service would do no good. There is only one lodge in Brother Stott's district that has not had lecture service for five years or longer,—one for four years and one for three years. There are two dead lodges in his district, and only one lodge requested has refused to respond to or give him an engagement.

Brother Patton has three lodges in his district that have not had service for five years or more, and three lodges for three to four years.

At the beginning of the year the Grand Lecturer secured a list of those lodges that were from three to more years behind in the lecture service, and has written numerous letters to the officers. In writing the officers of these lodges, copies of letters were sent to the Assistant Grand Lecturer, also the District Deputy of the district in which the lodges were located, and in most cases the spirit of co-operation by the A. G. L. and District Deputy was excellent. In this connection, I want to extend my sincere personal thanks to Dr. R. T. Allen, D. D. G. M., of the Lumberton District, Brother H. McN. Johnson, of the Clinton District, and Brother S. H. Green of the Monroe District, for the valuable assistance they rendered and the excellent results secured in getting service into many lodges of their districts.

The letters that I wrote many other Lodges, along with copies of same to the District Deputies, must have gone astray in the mails, as I never heard anything from either the officers of the lodges or the D. D's.

There is a wonderful opportunity right here for the District Deputies to do some most excellent work. In their visitations to the various lodges in their districts, they could stress the need and importance of their lodges to have the lecture service at regular intervals, according to the plan made by the Grand Lodge. It is beyond question that those lodges who do avail themselves of this service, in most cases, are the alert and wide-awake lodges,—the ones that are really up and doing things.

The very finest spirit of brotherly love, friendship and co-operation has existed between the Grand Master, every member of the Board of Custodians, Assistant Grand Lecturers, and the Grand Lecturer, during the entire year. Everything that has been accomplished, if anything, every task that has been undertaken, and every effort made for the promotion of the great cause of Freemasonry, has afforded me great pleasure.

Special efforts have been inaugurated the past year by your Grand Master, Assistant Grand Lecturers, and Grand Lecturer to encourage one or more members in many of the lodges to prepare themselves and stand examination before the Board of Custodians and secure certificates of proficiency. From the number of applicants coming up for this examination, we are forcibly reminded that such efforts were not in vain. I shall look forward to the day when there will be at least one or more Masons in every lodge in our State, who can and will stand this examination and secure one of these proficiency certificates.

Our Assistant Grand Lecturers have worked diligently, tirelessly and unceasingly during the past year, and I believe that the marked improvement in Masonry throughout the State that is so noticeable, can be attributed largely to the untiring efforts they have put in their work, and I bespeak for them, and appeal to every Mason in every lodge, for each of them your unstinted and most loyal support in their work and efforts.

The time will come, and possibly not so far in the future, when some of their places will have to be filled, and knowing each of them as I do, I want to remind you that it will not be an easy task. May I ask every Mason to give them his love, encouragement and co-operation, while they are yet active. Don't wait until they are dead to say, "He was a good man."

Respectfully submitted,

Z. V. SNIPES, *Grand Lecturer.*

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Grand Master announced the hour of election had arrived and appointed the following tellers:

B. S. Eldridge T. O. Kepley H. L. Taylor

The election resulted as follows:

<i>Grand Master</i> -----	Thomas J. Harkins-----	Asheville
<i>Deputy Grand Master</i> -----	Charles P. Eldridge-----	Raleigh
<i>Senior Grand Warden</i> -----	James E. Shipman-----	Hendersonville
<i>Junior Grand Warden</i> -----	James W. Payne-----	Salisbury
<i>Grand Treasurer</i> -----	Herbert C. Alexander-----	Charlotte
<i>Grand Secretary</i> -----	John H. Anderson-----	Raleigh

Luther T. Hartsell, Jr., was elected a director of Oxford Orphanage for a term of five years.

E. W. Timberlake was elected a director of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation for a term of five years.

John S. McEachern and J. E. Latham were elected directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home for terms of five years.

W. H. Halliburton was elected a director of the M. & E. S. Home to fill the unexpired time of Roy F. Ebbs (deceased).

W. M. York was elected a director of the M. & E. S. Home to fill the unexpired time of W. C. Wicker (deceased).

J. Edward Allen was elected as representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

J. Edward Allen was elected as representative to the Masonic Service Association.

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

The Board made the following report which was adopted:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The annual meeting of the Board of Custodians and of the Grand and Assistant Grand Lecturers was held in the Masonic Temple in Raleigh, North Carolina, on April 15, 16 and 17, 1940,

and was attended by all members of the Board of Custodians and Lecturers.

At this meeting at 2:00 p. m., the Cleveland County Degree Team conferred the Third Degree on a candidate of Camp Call Lodge, No. 534, under the auspices of Hiram Lodge, No. 40.

The continued increase of interest in the ritualistic work was evidenced not only by the large number who witnessed the exemplification of the Third Degree, but also by the presence of fifteen applicants for examination for proficiency certificates as follows:

Marion T. Ross, St. Johns, No. 1, Wilmington, N. C.
Charles P. Separk, Hiram, No. 40, Raleigh, N. C.
J. Exum Bellamy, Enfield, No. 447, Enfield, N. C.
A. W. Harris, Greenville, No. 284, Greenville, N. C.
M. Y. Jarrett, Dillsboro, No. 459, Dillsboro, N. C.
F. C. Abernethy, Holland Memorial, No. 668, Gastonia, N. C.
S. M. Young, Hiram, No. 40, Raleigh, N. C.
J. M. Turley, Granite, No. 191, Clayton, N. C.
F. W. Royal, Sparta, No. 423, Sparta, N. C.
A. G. Smith, Spencer, No. 543, Spencer, N. C.
D. S. Johnson, Oxford, No. 122, Oxford, N. C.
Burke W. Fox, Phalanx, No. 31, Charlotte, N. C.
S. S. Fay, John A. Nichols, No. 650, Asheville, N. C.
Wm. C. McConnell, Jr., J. A. Nichols, No. 650, Asheville, N. C.
H. W. Prince, Palmyra, No. 147, Dunn, N. C.

Each of the applicants passed a most satisfactory examination and certificates evidencing proficiency will be issued.

We heartily concur in the Grand Master's recommendation that the members of our Fraternity avail themselves of the opportunity to take this examination and it is the purpose of the Board to present to the Grand Lodge for consideration at our next annual communication a definite plan outlining the scope of the examination and the method of conducting the same.

We feel that our Assistant Grand Lecturers are making a most valuable contribution to Masonry in North Carolina, for which they are not being adequately compensated and we sincerely trust that the Grand Lodge in the very near future may find ways and means by which their compensation may be materially increased.

The Board of Custodians wishes to express again its appreciation of the very fine co-operative spirit of both the Grand Lecturer and the Assistant Grand Lecturers, and is glad to recommend their reappointment to the incoming Grand Master.

Respectfully submitted,

S. N. BOYCE, *Chairman*,
J. E. SHIPMAN, *Secretary*,
H. M. POTEAT,

Board of Custodians.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee made the following report which was adopted:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Finance Committee reports that they have checked over the statement of the Grand Secretary and find that his Office has received the following amounts, and in a parallel column we place the estimate made at the Grand Lodge in 1939.

This statement of receipts, both actual and estimated, is as follows:

		RECEIPTS	
		ACTUAL	ESTIMATED
1. Dues Prior Years--	} @ \$2.50 ----- \$		\$
2. Dues Current Year.		66,244.59	66,812.50
3. Dues Paid in Advance-----		380.50	
4. Initiation Fees -----		767.00	764.00
5. Charity -----		7,670.00	7,640.00
6. Drewry Fund -----		1,880.10	1,250.00
7. Permanent Fund -----		7,693.18	8,000.00
8. Fines -----			50.00
9. Books for Initiation-----		767.00	764.00
10. Sale of Claudy Books-----		28.00	
11. Charters and Dispensations-----		30.00	
12. Income from Defunct Lodges-----		70.78	
13. Dimits -----		166.25	
14. Miscellaneous -----		97.90	100.00
15. Refund on Audits-----		475.00	462.50
16. Refund on Taxes-----		606.40	
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		\$86,876.70	\$85,843.00
Less Intangible Taxes-----	\$6.45		
Less Check Exchange-----	6.03	12.48	
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		\$86,864.22	

The Grand Secretary also reports that the collections for the Grand Lodge were paid over to the Grand Treasurer on the following dates:

Jan. 24—By Check -----	\$10,000.00
Feb. 9—By Check -----	5,000.00
Feb. 17—By Check -----	5,000.00
Mar. 3—By Check -----	10,000.00
Mar. 20—By Check -----	10,000.00
Apr. 3—By Check -----	7,500.00
Apr. 14—By Check -----	7,500.00
May 2—By Check -----	5,000.00

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June 24—By Check	\$ 5,000.00
Sept. 23—By Check	5,000.00
Nov. 23—By Check	5,000.00
Dec. 18—By Check	2,000.00
Dec. 23—By Check	5,000.00
Dec. 30—By Check	460.94
Total	\$82,460.94
In Transit	4,403.28
	\$86,864.22

The Grand Treasurer reports the following:

Cash on Hand and in Transit, January 1, 1939	\$ 6,070.20
Received from Grand Secretary	86,864.22
Received from Interest	213.20
	\$93,147.62
Vouchers Paid	83,446.08
On Hand and in Transit, December 31, 1939	\$ 9,701.54

Grouping the money paid out by him we make the following comparison between the budget and the actual expenses:

GROUPINGS OF EXPENDITURES

I. CURRENT YEAR

	BUDGET	EXPENDED
A Oxford Orphanage, Masonic		
Home and Charity	\$61,500.00	\$60,580.00
B Salaries	5,300.00	5,100.00
C Masonic Dues	975.00	953.86
D Sundry Expenses	9,625.00	8,012.99
E Expenses of Representatives		
Outside of State	330.00	273.45
F Expense of Grand Sec. Office	1,650.00	1,559.88
G Annual Communication Expense	1,480.00	1,220.85
H District Deputies	1,000.00	385.70
I Miscellaneous	2,860.00	1,658.85
	\$84,720.00	\$79,946.08

II. FORMER YEAR'S APPROPRIATIONS

R Oxford Orphanage	\$ 3,500.00
	\$83,446.08

UNPAID APPROPRIATIONS

The unpaid appropriations (December 31, 1939) were as follows:

	1932	1933	1934	Total
Oxford Building Fund-----\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Int. on Bldg. Fund Debt-----		2,175	2,175	4,350
Curtail on Bldg. Fund Debt----		3,500	3,500	7,000
Mas. and E. S. Home Main.----		3,500		3,500
Drewry Mem. Fund Note-----	1,000			1,000
Mas. Tem. Const. Co. Rent----		1,050	1,050	2,100
	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$10,225</u>	<u>\$ 6,725</u>	<u>\$17,950</u>

Paid in 1940 (out of dues
of former year)

Mas. and Eas. Star Main.----		3,500		3,500
	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,725</u>	<u>\$ 6,725</u>	<u>\$14,450</u>

With regard to these unpaid appropriations made by prior Grand Lodges, we authorize that the Grand Master, in his discretion, be authorized to direct the Grand Secretary, that any monies, if any, over the estimated budget for maintenance should be applied on these unpaid appropriations.

Owing to these unpaid appropriations, the Finance Committee has discouraged any increase in appropriations, as the Grand Lodge should first get out of debt.

UNPAID PER CAPITA AND LODGE DUES

As of December 31, 1939, there was due and owing the Grand Lodge, as shown by the Grand Secretary's books, the sum of \$14,382.31 for the following years, ending on December 31st of the calendar year. We also make a similar tabulation, as of April 4, 1940. These comparisons are as follows:

December 31, 1939			April 4, 1940	
1934 -----	LODGES	AMOUNT	LODGES	AMOUNT
1934 -----	1	\$ 30.00		
1935 -----	4	304.63	1	
1936 -----	8	1,257.50	5	
1937 -----	24	3,262.22	9	
1938 -----	67	9,523.96		
		<u>\$14,382.31</u>		

Since the closing of the books for 1939, \$6,435.86 has been paid on these arrearages, which shows that nearly half the amount has been paid, and that the arrearages now due are largely in the recent years.

A year ago the Committee made a forecast of what would be the membership statistics as of December 31, 1939. This forecast was included in the report of last year, and in the table below it is brought forward in the first column and in the second column the

actual statistics and in the third column how much it was over or under. This is as follows:

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA, A. F. & A. M.

Forecast Made April 7, 1939

Statistics Compiled December 31, 1939

	FORECAST	STATISTICS	FORECAST OVER OR UNDER
Forward -----	26,725	26,725	
Adjustment -----		10	— 10
Raised -----	786	746	+ 40
Admitted -----	476	377	+ 99
Reinstated -----	229	312	— 83
Gross Gain -----	1,491	1,445	+ 46
Died -----	498	462	+ 36
Demitted -----	362	337	+ 25
N. P. D. -----	356	604	+ 252
Expelled -----	6	8	— 2
Gross Loss -----	1,722	1,411	+ 311
Net Loss -----	231		
Net Gain -----		34	
Membership -----	26,494	26,755	— 261

This shows an error of 1% in calculating the membership of the Grand Lodge.

Using the same method of calculation we can today, April 16, 1940, forecast what will be the membership December 31, 1940, which on the experience of one, two and three years works out as follows:

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA, A. F. & A. M.

Forecast for December 31, 1940

Made April 15, 1940

Statistics to be released April 15, 1941

	A	B	C	D
Forward -----	26,755	26,755	26,755	26,755
Raised -----	758	763	810	777
Admitted -----	327	399	391	372
Reinstated -----	243	285	284	271
Gross Gain -----	1,328	1,447	1,485	1,420
Died -----	436	450	466	451
Demitted -----	327	328	342	332
N. P. D. -----	350	539	526	472
Expelled -----	10	9	9	9
Gross Loss -----	1,123	1,326	1,343	1,264
Net Gain -----	205	121	142	156
Forecasted Membership				
Dec. 31, 1940-----	26,960	26,876	26,897	26,911

This forecasts a net gain of 156 and an approximate membership of 26,911 on December 31, 1940. With eight months of the year yet ahead of the new Officers of the various Lodges these figures can be changed in numerous ways and very much for the better.

BUDGET

In preparing the budget we recognized that the appropriations in heading (A) Oxford Orphanage, Masonic Home, Charity and Education, (B) Salaries and (C) Masonic Dues, are expected to be for the full amount, while the appropriations (D) Sundry Expenses, (E) Out of State Expense of Representatives, (F) Office Expenses, Grand Secretary's Office, (G) Estimated Annual Expenses and Summer Expense and (I) Miscellaneous, are authorizations to spend so much thereof as may be needed, and no more.

Furthermore, we recommend that the Grand Master authorize and direct when the several appropriations shall be paid by the warrant of the Grand Secretary, and furthermore, that the Grand Master have authority when he deems it advisable for the best interest of the Grand Lodge, to suspend the allotment made to any committee, activity or agency.

Furthermore, we recommend that the Grand Master, when he deems it for the good of the Grand Lodge, be authorized upon written application being made to him, to give written authorization for this budget to be exceeded, or for any department agency or office to incur out of the ordinary expenses not herein provided for.

Furthermore whenever the Grand Lodge finances will permit, we recommend the Grand Lodge authorize the anticipation of any outstanding notes or obligations by payment before maturity.

A. OXFORD ORPHANAGE, MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME, AND CHARITY.

We have continued the appropriation for maintenance to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home as heretofore.

We congratulate the Grand Lodge upon having paid \$3,500 since the beginning of the year, on the maintenance appropriation to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, which has been due since 1933.

We reduced the interest on the Oxford Orphanage Building Debt to \$720, which is 5% on the \$14,200 remaining due, to which interest and curtailment the Grand Lodge is committed.

The amounts for 1933 and 1934 are carried in the unpaid appropriations.

B. SALARIES.

Grand Tyler. We place the Grand Tyler's compensation at \$25 in accordance with the order of the Grand Lodge, he being allowed \$5 and expenses for special communications.

E. EXPENSES REPRESENTATIVES OUTSIDE OF STATE:

1. Gr. Mas. Conf.—Grand Master-----	\$ 50.00
2. Gr. Mas. Conf.—Grand Secretary-----	50.00
3. Visit other Gr. Lodges—Gr. Master----	75.00
4. Visit other Gr. Lodges—Gr. Secretary--	75.00
5. Geo. Wash. Memorial-----	50.00
6. Masonic Service Asso.-----	30.00

\$ 330.00

F. EXPENSE GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE:

1. Rent -----	\$ 1,050.00
2. Office Expenses -----	600.00

\$ 1,650.00

G. ANNUAL COMMUNICATION EXPENSE:

1. Expenses Grand Officers-----	\$ 400.00
2. Expenses Past Grand Officers-----	300.00
3. Expenses Dist. Dep. Gr. Mas.-----	700.00
4. Expenses Cus. and Lecturers-----	150.00
5. Expense Others -----	50.00
6. Per Diem Credentials Committee-----	30.00
7. Past Grand Master's Jewel-----	100.00
8. Past Grand Master's Apron-----	50.00

\$ 1,780.00

H. DISTRICT DEPUTIES:

1. Visiting Lodges -----	\$ 1,000.00
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I. MISCELLANEOUS:

1. Contingent -----	\$ 1,000.00
2. Purchase Claudy Books-----	1,000.00
3. Interest on Drewry Fund Note-----	60.00
4. Code Commission Expense-----	300.00
5. Printing Lodge Returns-----	150.00
6. Masonic Veterans' Badges-----	350.00

\$ 2,860.00

J. GRAND MASTER REIMBURSEMENT:

1. Account 1940 Extraordinary Expenses--	\$ 850.00
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A. Oxford Orph., Mas. Home and Charity--	\$61,220.00
B. Salaries -----	4,925.00
C. Masonic Dues -----	975.00
D. Sundry Expense -----	9,775.00
E. Expenses Rep. Outside State-----	330.00
F. Expenses Grand Sec. Office-----	1,650.00
G. Annual Communication Expense-----	1,780.00

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9. Miscellaneous -----	\$ 100.00
Including:	
A. Interest on Arrears.	
B. Demits.	
C. Dues Paid in Advance.	
D. All Other Receipts.	
Total -----	\$85,694.00

GRAND LODGE 1940 BUDGET

A. OXFORD ORPHANAGE, MASONIC HOME AND CHARITY:

1. Oxford Orphanage -----	\$49,220.00
Maintenance -----	\$45,000.00
Interest on Bldg. Debt -----	720.00
Payment on Debt -----	3,500.00
2. Mas. and E. S. Home -----	11,000.00
3. Charity -----	1,000.00
	\$61,220.00

B. SALARIES:

1. Grand Secretary -----	\$ 3,600.00
2. Grand Treasurer -----	100.00
3. Grand Tiler -----	25.00
4. Clerical Help (Gr. Secretary) -----	1,200.00
	\$ 4,925.00

C. MASONIC DUES:

1. Masonic Service Association -----	\$ 800.00
2. Grand Master's Conference -----	25.00
3. Grand Secretary's Guild -----	10.00
4. Masonic Relief Association -----	140.00
	\$ 975.00

D. SUNDRY EXPENSE:

1. Grand Master's Expense -----	\$ 1,000.00
2. Grand Secretary's Travel Expense -----	500.00
3. Foreign Correspondent Expenses -----	300.00
4. Grand Lecturers -----	4,800.00
5. Auditing Expense -----	600.00
6. Grand Historian Expense -----	100.00
7. Bonds -----	125.00
8. Printing Proceedings -----	2,150.00
9. Masonic Education -----	100.00
10. Lodge Service Commission -----	100.00
	\$ 9,775.00

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LODGES CONSOLIDATED

3. We recommend the approval of the consolidation of Elk Lodge, No. 375, and Ashler Lodge, No. 451, as reported by the Grand Master.

CHARTER ARRESTED

4. We recommend that the action of the Grand Master in arresting the charter of Blowing Rock Lodge, No. 458, be approved.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

5. The Grand Master reports that he granted the following dispensations:

- (a) to elect officers out of time,
- (b) to act on petitions from candidates possessing some maim which prevented them from falling in the category of "perfect youth,"
- (c) to approve the resignation of some officers of lodges and to permit those lodges to hold elections to fill such vacancies, as the law provides.

We recommend the approval of those dispensations.

DISPENSATIONS REFUSED

6. The Grand Master reports that he has refused to lay cornerstones when the buildings under construction were already completed and occupied; that he has refused to grant dispensation to lodges to change the time of their stated communication and that he has refused to grant dispensation to elect to honorary membership brethren who were not Past Masters.

We recommend the approval of his action in these matters.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE—NOT APPROVED

7. The following Regulation is proposed by the Grand Master under the subtitle "Masonic Finance," in his address:

"REG. 132 A: If the by-laws of a subordinate lodge shall require the payment of dues annually in advance, then failure to pay such dues annually in advance shall constitute being in arrears for dues and may be dealt with accordingly by such lodge."

We have carefully considered this proposed legislation and the report of the Grand Master on the subject. We agree with him that it would be an ideal condition if every member of our lodges would have and carry with them their dues card for the current year, however, when we consider the leniency of our lodges under the present law we must be realistic about this matter of payment of dues.

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H. Summer Expense -----	\$ 1,000.00
I. Miscellaneous -----	2,860.00
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	\$84,515.00
J. Grand Master Reimbursement-----	850.00
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	\$85,365.00
Additional Back Appropriation Paid:	
Mas. & Eas. Star Home, 1933 Main-----	3,500.00
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	\$88,865.00

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. ANDREWS, *Chairman*,
P. T. WILSON,
J. C. HOBBS,
W. B. HODGE,
E. R. FORD,
L. H. GILLIKIN,
M. F. MCKEEL, JR.,
J. L. PEACOCK.

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

The Jurisprudence Committee made the following report which was adopted:

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence respectfully submits the following report:

DECISIONS

1. It appears to your committee that the Grand Master has made but one decision on the law during the year, as follows: "At Hayesville, a meeting was held at an hour earlier than that set in the by-laws produced a ballot about which there was criticism, and I held that the meeting was a special communication at which no balloting could be done."

We recommend the approval of this decision as being a proper interpretation of the law.

CONCURRENT JURISDICTION

2. The Grand Master reported that, after due investigation, he had granted concurrent jurisdiction over Stumpy Point, N. C., to Wanchese Lodge, No. 521, and Mattamuskeet Lodge, No. 328. This action is fully in accord with Section 71 of the Code and we recommend that his action be approved.

who then owe as much as two years' dues) an "Official Notice of Delinquency" by first class mail, in a sealed envelope with return address thereon, said notice shall be over the name of the Master and the seal of the lodge, attested by the written signature of the Secretary, and sent to the last known address of the member, informing him of the amount of the arrearage and the amount of the current dues then unpaid and notifying him that unless the same is paid by the first stated communication of the lodge in November (next following the date of the notice), or unless he shows cause at that stated communication why he should not be suspended for non-payment of dues, the lodge will at that time take action on his delinquency. (See also Sec. 147, form 13.)

A certificate of the Secretary, to be entered on the minutes of the lodge, to the effect that the provisions of this paragraph "B" have been fully complied with, shall be conclusive thereof and the lodge shall then have jurisdiction to act as hereinafter provided. (See also Sec. 147, form 14.)

A strict compliance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph "B" as to said notice is necessary before a lodge may suspend a member for non-payment of dues.

Payment in full of the arrearage due by the member, by or before the first stated communication in November, will satisfy and make void the said notice.

If no response is made to the Official Notice of Delinquency, the member is not subject to charges for un-Masonic conduct, but the lodge may act as hereinafter provided.

(C) At the first stated communication in November each year the Secretary shall report to the lodge the name of each delinquent member who, at that time, owes the full amount of dues for any preceding year plus the dues for the current year (that is, those who then owe as much as two years' dues), together with his certificate to the effect that the provisions of the preceding paragraph "B" have been fully complied with in respect to each member reported by him; which report and certificate shall be entered on the minutes of the lodge. (See also Sec. 147, form 14.)

At the same communication the lodge shall take action on each delinquent member whose name has been reported by the Secretary as heretofore provided, as follows:

- (1) For good cause, of which the lodge shall be the judge, it may remit all, or any part of the dues of any such member, as provided for in Sec. 105;
- (2) Or it may suspend him for non-payment of dues, subject, however, to the provisions of Sec. 102;
- (3) Or it may grant him an extension of time to a definite stated communication in which to pay the dues, subject, however, to the provisions of paragraph "D" below; which time may be ex-

Figures before us indicate that on December 31, 1939, only 65.41% (17,460) of our membership had their 1939 cards; 25.35% (6,800) owed 1939 dues; 5.97% (1,600) owed 1938 and 1939 dues; and 3.27% (870) owed dues for three years and over; or 34.59% were in arrears, approximately 9,200 members. We are not strongly impressed with the idea that our lodges will be any less lenient than they have been in the past if they are merely authorized but not required to suspend members who have not paid their dues for the current year only. Your committee is of the opinion that the proposed Regulation would not accomplish the desired end and that it would not be for the best interest of the Craft under the prevailing economic conditions.

It is the considered opinion of your committee that the present law on this subject works no hardship on our lodges and is fair and equitable to the membership.

If it is the desire of the Grand Lodge to change the long established policy on this subject and to authorize subordinate lodges to suspend members during the current year for the non-payment of dues for that year only, or if it desires to provide for the automatic suspension on December 31 each year of all members who had not paid their current dues by that date, then appropriate amendments should be proposed to every Section of the Constitution and to all Regulations that would be affected by such a change of policy, and we suggest that the Grand Lodge should then expect a loss of membership that would vitally affect, if not disastrously affect, the financing of our charitable work.

We therefore recommend that the proposed Regulation 132A be *not* adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE—APPROVED

8. Certain amendments to the Code of 1924 were proposed and read at the Annual Communication 1939 and were referred to this committee as required by Chapter XXX of the Code. (See Proceedings 1939, pages 109 through 114.)

We have carefully examined these proposed amendments and we recommend:

(a) That the proposed amendment to Section 101 be further amended, and as further amended it be adopted, to make the said Section 101 read as follows:

SEC. 101: SAME—SUSPENSION FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES—PROCEDURE

(A) When a member of a lodge changes his mail address, it is his duty to notify the Secretary of his lodge.

(B) Between the first and the fifteenth day in September each year the Secretary shall forward to each member of the lodge who then owes the full amount of dues for any preceding year plus the full amount of dues for the current year (that is, those

of during the current year. No member may be suspended for the non-payment of less than one year's dues.

(c) That the proposed amendment to Section 128 be further amended, and as further amended it be adopted, to make said Section 128 read as follows:

Sec. 128. Same—FOR DEGREES AND ADVANCEMENT:

(1) When a ballot is taken on a petition for the degrees, it is for the petitioner to become a Master Mason and a member of the lodge receiving his petition. (See also Sec. 129 and Sec. 133.)

(2) However, at any time before the degree of Entered Apprentice is conferred on an elected petitioner, any member of the lodge, in open lodge, may request another ballot on the petition, which ballot shall be taken at the next stated communication held by the lodge and in all respects as provided in Sections 125, 126, and 127 of this Code for balloting on petitions for degrees. The advancement of the petitioner is thereby stayed until such ballot is taken.

If the ballot is unfavorable the petitioner is rejected and the fees must be returned to him. (See also Sec. 126 and Sec. 127.)

If the ballot is favorable the petitioner will stand in the same relation to the lodge as he did before it was taken.

The member making such request shall not be required to assign his reasons therefor, nor shall the name of any member be recorded in the minutes as having made the request.

The Secretary shall enter as the record in such a case, "A proper request was made in open lodge for ballot on Mr. A. B., a petitioner for the degrees heretofore elected. This was continued to the next stated communication held by this lodge when the ballot will be taken, as required by the Code."

(3) After initiation as an Entered Apprentice any objection to the advancement of a candidate to the degree of Fellow Craft or to the degree of Master Mason shall be only upon charges of un-Masonic conduct duly preferred in the manner provided in this Code and if charges are preferred against an Entered Apprentice or a Fellow Craft his advancement is hereby stayed, pending trial of such charges as provided in this Code. (See also Sections 159 and 160.)

(4) If on trial of the charges he is found not guilty he may be advanced as though no charges had been preferred, and if he is found guilty and suspended or expelled he may be advanced after reinstatement; but punishment by reprimand only shall not operate to stay advancement after the reprimand has been imposed.

In the event of trial as provided in this Section the provisions of Section 133 shall not begin to operate until the date of acquittal or reinstatement, or reprimand, as the case may be.

tended for such period or periods as the lodge by a majority vote of the members present may determine, but in no event shall an extension be given beyond the first day of September in the year next following the date of the Official Notice of Delinquency. The Secretary shall advise the member within five days by first class mail of each extension of time granted under this paragraph.

(4) At the expiration of any period of extension granted hereunder the lodge may act as set forth in the foregoing paragraphs numbered 1, 2, or 3; subject, however, to the said limitation of such extensions named in paragraph number 3, and also subject to the provisions of paragraph "D" hereafter.

(5) The Official Notice of Delinquency required in paragraph "B" above, shall be mailed between the first and the fifteenth day in September each year regardless of any extension of time that may have been previously granted to any member hereunder. (See also Sec. 147, form 13.)

(D) After due notice as provided in paragraph "B" above, and at the first stated communication in November each year, each subordinate lodge shall take definite action on those of its members who, at that time, owe the dues for two or more preceding years plus the dues for the current year (that is, those who at that time owe as much as three years' dues), as follows:

(1) For good cause, of which the lodge shall be the judge, it may remit all, or any part of the dues of any such member, as provided for in Sec. 105;

(2) Or it may suspend him for non-payment of dues, subject, however, to the provisions of Sec. 102;

(3) The lodge shall not in such cases grant a further extension of time in which to make payment.

(E) The Secretary shall mail a notice to each member suspended for non-payment of dues within ten days after such suspension.

(F) A lodge may suspend a member for non-payment of dues only at a stated communication by a majority vote of the members present, and as hereinbefore set forth.

(G) Suspension for non-payment of dues is a suspension from all of the rights and privileges of Masonry, and is not to be confused with the suspension provided for in Sec. 206 (B), Chapter XXVII, which is a punishment for un-Masonic conduct.

(b) That the proposed amendment to Section 102 be further amended, and as further amended it be adopted, to make said Sec. 102 read as follows:

Sec. 102: Same: A member of a lodge who owes dues for the current year only, may not be suspended for non-payment there-

The following notes are explanatory of the form and not part of it:

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- (1) This notice must be used in connection with Sec. 101 (B) between the first and the fifteenth day of September each year.
- (2) The notice and the name of the Master may be written, printed, or mimeographed, or by similar process, but the Secretary must sign his name and affix the seal of the lodge thereto.
- (3) It must be forwarded to the last known address of the member by first class mail, in a sealed enveloped with return address thereon. Registration is not required, but it may be used.

(e) That the proposed amendments to Section 147 (14) be adopted as proposed, to make said Section 147 (14) read as follows:

SEC. 147 (14)

SECRETARY'S REPORT OF DELINQUENT MEMBERS
AND HIS CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE
WITH SECTION 101

November-----, 19-----

(The first stated communication in November)

To The Master, Wardens and Members of

-----Lodge No. -----, A. F. & A. M.:

This is to certify that on September -----, 19-----, and in full conformity to Section 101 of the Code, I mailed an Official Notice of Delinquency in all respects as required by that Section, to each of the following named members of the lodge, who on *this date* owe as much as two years' dues.

NAME OF MEMBER	LAST KNOWN ADDRESS	AMOUNT OF ARREARAGE	CURRENT DUES	TOTAL DUE
-----	-----	\$-----	\$-----	\$-----
-----	-----	\$-----	\$-----	\$-----

Secretary.

(5) An Entered Apprentice or a Fellow Craft not under charges for un-Masonic conduct, nor under legal disabilities, unless debarred by the provisions hereinbefore set forth, may be advanced on making suitable proficiency as required in Section 132. (See also Sec. 133.)

(d) That the proposed amendment, to Section 147 (13) be further amended, and as further amended it be adopted, to make said Section 147 (13) read as follows:

SEC. 147 (13)

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY

-----Lodge, No.-----, A. F. & A. M.
-----, N. C., September-----, 19-----.

Mr.-----

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:

Complying with the requirements of Section 101 of the Code of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M., I herewith inform you that the amount owing by you to this lodge on this date is as follows:

Arrearage—Dues for previous years \$-----

Dues for the current year - - - -----

Amount due - - - - - \$-----

You are hereby NOTIFIED that unless the amount due is paid on or before the stated communication of this lodge, to be held on November-----, 19-----, at-----, ---M., you must show cause at that stated communication why you should not be suspended for non-payment of dues, or the lodge will at that time take action on your delinquency.

You will please take due notice hereof and govern yourself accordingly.

Fraternally,

Master.

(SEAL OF LODGE)

ATTEST:

Secretary.

HOW ACQUIRED: Any lodge at a stated communication, and by unanimous secret ballot as provided in Sec. 125 and Sec. 126, upon a written proposal signed by at least three members of the lodge and received at a previous stated communication not less than twenty-eight days before such ballot, may confer honorary membership upon any Master Mason who, at that time shall be a member in good standing of a duly recognized lodge. Such proposal shall be subject to the provisions of Sec. 120, but no reference to a committee of investigation shall be necessary.

No lodge may confer more than three honorary memberships during a calendar year.

Any number of lodges may confer honorary membership on the same individual.

HOW TERMINATED: An honorary member of a lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction who, by any means, ceases to be continuously an active member of some lodge, ipso facto loses his honorary membership in all lodges in North Carolina, which is not restored by a restoration to his active membership.

An honorary membership may be terminated, for good cause, by a vote of three-fourths of the members present and voting by written ballot, at a stated communication, notice of such proposed action having been given in open lodge at a stated communication not less than twenty-eight days before such vote, and at least ten days written notice by mail of such intended action having been given to such honorary member.

Termination of an honorary membership in any lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, for any cause, automatically terminates honorary membership held by that individual in all other lodges in North Carolina.

REPORTS: Each subordinate lodge shall make such reports concerning honorary membership as may be required by the Grand Secretary.

DUES AND PER CAPITA TAX: Honorary membership in lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction shall not be liable for per capita tax, dues or assessments, to either the subordinate lodges or to the Grand Lodge.

(h) The following resolution and three proposed new Regulations were referred to us yesterday. We recommend the adoption of each of them, as follows:

(1) **BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary be authorized and empowered to select the designs for the "Grand Lodge of North Carolina Veteran's Emblem," the "Grand Lodge of North Carolina Service Award," and the "Joseph Montfort Medal," as established at this Annual Communication. (Annotate to Sec. 14.)

The following notes are explanatory of the form and not a part of it:

NOTES

- (1) The foregoing report and certificate of the Secretary must be used in connection with Section 101 (C).
- (2) List on the report only the members who, at the first stated communication of the lodge in November, owe as much as two years' dues; read the report and certificate to the lodge at that communication and enter it on the minutes.

(f) That the proposed amendment to Section 82 be adopted as proposed, to make said Section 82 read as follows:

SEC. 82: Same—WHEN ELECTED:

(1) Each chartered subordinate lodge shall elect its officers annually at the first stated communication in December.

(2) If any lodge shall fail to elect its officers at the time hereinbefore required, the Grand Master may thereafter grant a dispensation to such lodge to hold an election at a designated stated communication.

(3) The officers may be installed at the same communication at which they are elected or as soon thereafter as practicable, and no dispensation is required therefor. (See also Sec. 84.)

(g) We have examined the proposed amendment to Regulation 277—presented yesterday and referred to us, and we recommend that it be adopted to make said Regulation 277 read as follows:

REG. 277. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP: DEFINITION.—Honorary membership in a lodge depends entirely on continuous active membership in some other lodge. It confers no powers, rights or privileges in the lodge wherein it is conferred, like those of active or full membership. It imposes no duties; is not liable to dues or assessments either to the lodge or to the Grand Lodge; confers no right to vote or hold office in the lodge and is neither dual nor plural membership.

RESTRICTIONS: A member of a subordinate lodge in North Carolina may not accept honorary membership in any Grand Jurisdiction which permits such membership therein to have or exercise greater powers, duties or privileges than those described in this Regulation, or which imposes duties or financial obligations on such membership.

A member of a subordinate lodge of another Grand Jurisdiction which does not permit honorary membership therein may not acquire honorary membership in this Grand Jurisdiction.

for the establishment of the Joseph Montfort medal for distinguished Masonic service. The first act of the Grand Master after the adoption of the report was to bestow the medal on—

M. W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson, P. G. M. of Massachusetts.

M. W. Bro. John H. Anderson, P. G. M. and Grand Secretary of North Carolina.

R. W. Bro. Thomas J. Harkins, Grand Master elect of North Carolina.

The Grand Master elect nominated the following members of the Masonic Temple Committee; and they were approved by the Grand Lodge: F. D. Winston, E. W. Yates, M. F. McKeel, Jr., E. W. Timberlake, R. T. Allen, R. C. Dunn, A. B. Andrews, F. I. Watson, J. H. Anderson, D. K. Medford, H. M. Foy, D. E. Bulluck, C. B. Shulenberg, J. R. McCracken.

The Grand Master elect announced his appointments and the following officers were duly installed by M. W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson with P. G. M. E. W. Timberlake acting as Grand Marshal:

<i>Grand Master</i>	THOMAS J. HARKINS	Asheville
<i>Deputy Grand Master</i>	CHARLES P. ELDRIDGE	Raleigh
<i>Senior Grand Warden</i>	JAMES E. SHIPMAN	Hendersonville
<i>Junior Grand Warden</i>	JAMES W. PAYNE	Salisbury
<i>Grand Treasurer</i>	HERBERT C. ALEXANDER	Charlotte
<i>Grand Secretary</i>	JOHN H. ANDERSON	Raleigh
<i>Grand Chaplain</i>	WILBUR G. MCFARLAND	Asheville
<i>Grand Lecturer</i>	Z. V. SNIPES	Dunn
<i>Senior Grand Deacon</i>	JULIUS C. HOBBS	Wilmington
<i>Junior Grand Deacon</i>	CLYDE H. JARRETT	Andrews
<i>Grand Marshal</i>	WILLIAM J. BUNDY	Greenville
<i>Grand Steward</i>	LUTHER T. HARTSELL, JR.	Concord
<i>Grand Steward</i>	MAXWELL E. HOFFMAN	Asheville
<i>Grand Tiler</i>	FRED F. HARDING	Raleigh

(2) A new Regulation to read as follows:

REG. 278. The Grand Lodge hereby establishes a medal or emblem to be known as the "Joseph Montfort Medal", to be presented by the Grand Master to any Master Mason in good standing and recognized by this Grand Lodge who in the opinion of the Grand Master is deserving thereof because of distinguished service or achievement. Not more than three Joseph Montfort Medals shall be presented in any one term of a Grand Master. The cost of said medal shall be borne by the Grand Lodge. (Annotate to Sec. 14.)

(3) A new Regulation to read as follows:

REG. 279. The Grand Lodge shall provide, at its expense, a suitable certificate to be known as the "Grand Lodge of North Carolina Service Award," to be presented to Master Masons, members of lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge who have been Master Masons in good standing continuously for twenty-five years or more, the award to be presented by the Grand Master or his representative. (Annotate to Sec. 14.)

(4) A new Regulation to read as follows:

REG. 280. The Grand Lodge hereby establishes a medal or emblem to be known as the "Grand Lodge of North Carolina Veteran's Emblem", to be presented to Master Masons, members of lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge who have been Master Masons in good standing continuously for fifty years or more, this medal to be presented by the Grand Master or his representative and the cost thereof to be paid by the Grand Lodge. (Annotate to Sec. 14.)

We commend the Grand Master for his fine work and the excellent service he has rendered to the Craft in our jurisdiction.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND C. DUNN, *P. G. M., Chairman*
CHAS. B. NEWCOMB, *P. G. M., Secretary*
J. WALLACE WINBORNE, *P. G. M.*
EDGAR W. TIMBERLAKE, JR., *P. G. M.*
FRANCIS D. WINSTON, *P. G. M.*
THOMAS J. HARKINS, *Deputy Gr. Master*
CHAS. P. ELDRIDGE, *Senior Gr. Warden*
JAS. E. SHIPMAN, *Junior Gr. Warden*
JAS. W. PAYNE, *Senior Gr. Deacon*
CLYDE H. JARRETT, *Gr. Marshal*
LUTHER T. HARTSELL, JR., *Gr. Steward*
WILLIAM J. BUNDY, *Gr. Steward*
JNO. S. MCEACHERN, *D. D. G. M.*

The report of the Jurisprudence Committee provided

The Grand Master's Apron was presented by P.:G.:
M.:E. W. Timberlake.

The Grand Master's Jewel was presented by P.:G.:
M.:Hubert M. Poteat.

The minutes were read and approved and the Grand
Lodge closed in ample form.



Thos. J. Harkins

Grand Master.

ATTEST:

John H. Anderson

Grand Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

Fayetteville, N. C., November 21, 1939.

A special communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was held in the Masonic Hall of Phoenix Lodge, No. 8, in Fayetteville, on Tuesday, November 21, 1939, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form with the following officers present:

M. W. J. EDWARD ALLEN	Grand Master
R. W. M. SALIBA	as Deputy Grand Master
R. W. W. L. MCIVER	as Senior Grand Warden
R. W. H. W. PRINCE	as Junior Grand Warden
R. W. H. S. AVERITT	as Grand Treasurer
R. W. J. H. ANDERSON	Grand Secretary
W. J. C. WILLIAMS	as Grand Chaplain
W. Z. V. SNIPES	Grand Lecturer
W. A. S. CHESSON	as Senior Grand Deacon
W. J. C. HOBBS	Junior Grand Deacon
W. P. A. REICHLE	as Grand Marshal
W. R. W. PRITCHARD	as Grand Steward
W. L. T. HARTSELL, JR.	Grand Steward
W. F. F. HARDING	Grand Tiler
W. K. W. PARHAM	Grand Auditor

The Grand Master announced this Special Communication was called for the purpose of celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the meeting held in this city in 1789.

The following program was then observed:

Address of Welcome by H. C. Blackwell.

Historical address by Grand Secretary J. H. Anderson.

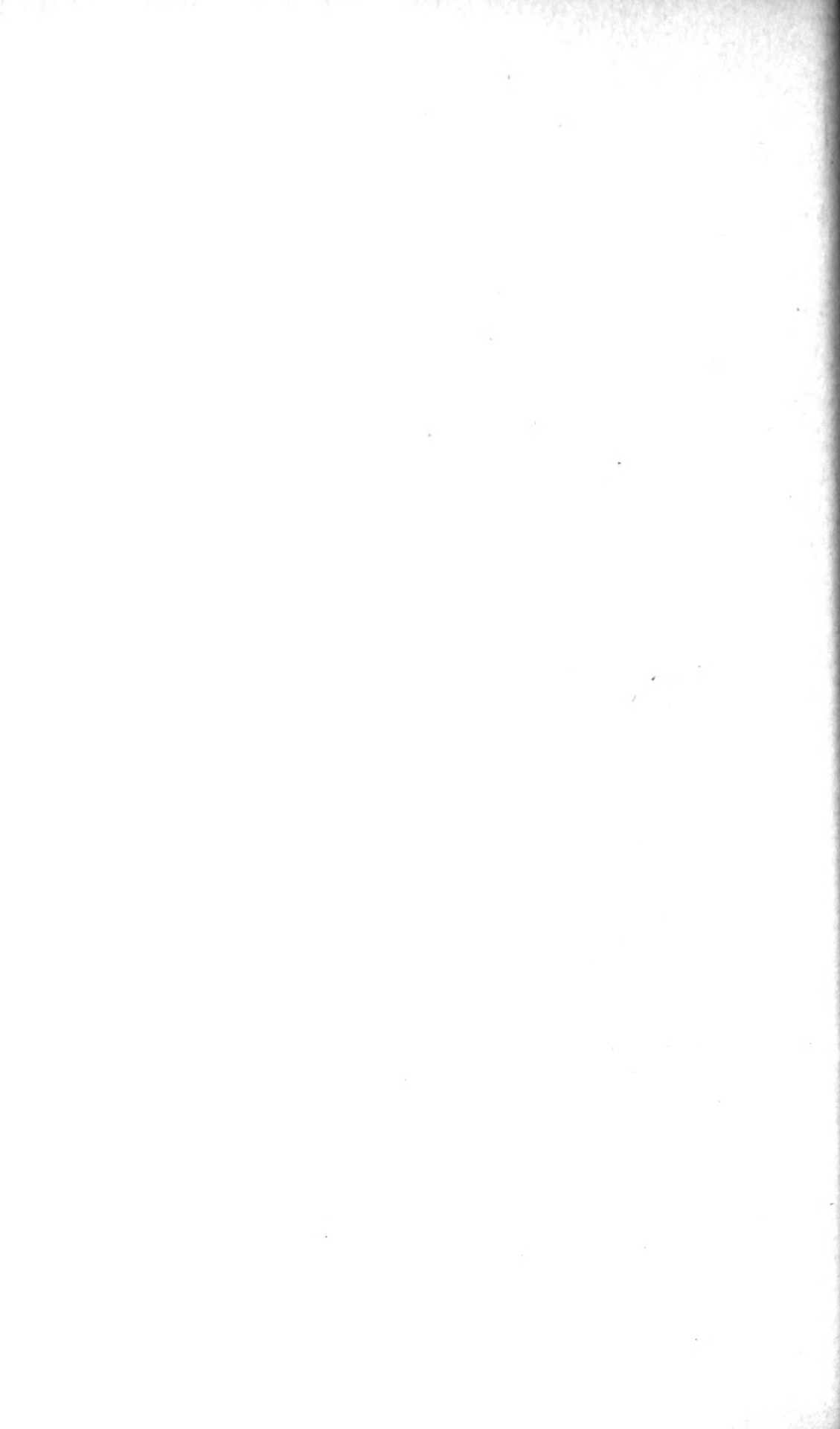
Address by J. Edward Allen, Grand Master.

Hugh W. Prince was installed as District Deputy Grand Master for the 14th Masonic District by the M. W. Grand Master.

There being no further business the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.

J. H. ANDERSON, *Grand Secretary.*

**Special
Communications**



ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Asheville, N. C., December 31, 1939.

A special communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was held in the Masonic Temple in Asheville, North Carolina, on Sunday, December 31, 1939, at 2:30 o'clock, p. m.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form with the following officers present:

J. EDWARD ALLEN	Grand Master
W. H. WOODBURY	as Deputy Grand Master
S. N. BOYCE	as Senior Grand Warden
J. E. SHIPMAN	Junior Grand Warden
GEO. E. LEE	as Grand Treasurer
CHAS. C. RICKER	as Grand Secretary
W. D. WILDER	as Grand Marshal
CLYDE JARRETT	as Senior Grand Deacon
W. B. FERGUSON	as Junior Grand Deacon
W. A. COBLE	as Grand Steward
N. J. CRAWFORD	as Grand Steward
THEODORE BROWN	as Grand Tiler
S. P. BURTON	as Grand Chaplain

The Grand Master announced that the Special Communication was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Past Grand Master Roy F. Ebbs.

The Grand Marshal then formed the funeral procession which proceeded in a body to The All Souls Episcopal Church where services were held.

At the conclusion of the church services the body was escorted to the grave in the Lewis Memorial Cemetery where the body was interred with Masonic Honors.

The Grand Lodge then returned to the lodge room.

The following Brethren were appointed as a Committee to draft suitable resolutions to be presented at the next communication of the Grand Lodge: Thos. J. Harkins, Howard G. Etheridge and Maxwell E. Hoffman.

The minutes were read and approved and the Grand Lodge closed in ample form.

J. EDWARD ALLEN, *Grand Master*.

ATTEST:

CHAS. C. RICKER, as *Grand Secretary*.

GRAND OFFICERS (ELECTIVE) OF NORTH CAROLINA FROM ORGANIZATION IN 1787 TO 1790

Grand Master	Deputy Grand Master	Senior Gr. Warden	Junior Gr. Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Secretary
1787 Samuel Johnston.....	Richard Caswell.....	Richard Ellis.....	Michael Payne.....	Abner Neale.....	James Glasgow
1788 Richard Caswell.....	Michael Payne.....	James Glasgow.....	Silas White Arnett.....	Stephen Cabarrus.....	William J. Dawson
1789 Samuel Johnston.....	James Glasgow.....	Silas White Arnett.....	Lunsford Long.....	Stephen Cabarrus.....	William J. Dawson
1790 Samuel Johnston.....	James Glasgow.....	Stephen Cabarrus.....	Isaac Guion.....	Frederick Hargett.....	Mathias Handy
1791 Samuel Johnston.....	James Glasgow.....	Lunsford Long.....	Lunsford Long.....	Frederick Hargett.....	Mathias Handy
1792 Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Macon.....	John Macon.....	Frederick Hargett.....	James Ellis
1793 Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	John Louis Taylor.....	Frederick Hargett.....	Richard W. Freear
1794 Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	John Ingles.....	John Macon.....	Robert Williams
1795 Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	Henry Hill.....	Richard W. Freear.....	Robert Williams
1796 Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Richard W. Freear.....	Robert Williams
1797 Wm. Richardson Davie.....	James Glasgow.....	John Lewis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Henry Potter.....	Robert Williams
1798 John Haywood.....	John Haywood.....	Montfort Stokes.....	David Caldwell.....	Henry Potter.....	Robert Williams
1799 William Polk.....	John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Waikstill Avery.....	Henry Potter.....	Robert Williams
1800 William Polk.....	John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	John Winslow.....	Henry Potter.....	Robert Williams
1801 William Polk.....	John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	William Duffy.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1802 John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	John Hall.....	Nathaniel Alexander.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1803 John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	John Hall.....	William Duffy.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1804 John Louis Taylor.....	Montfort Stokes.....	John Hall.....	Robert Cochran.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1805 John Hall.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Robert Cochran.....	William Duffy.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1806 John Hall.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Robert Cochran.....	William Duffy.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1807 John Hall.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Benjamin Smith.....	Geo. Lee Davidson.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1808 Benjamin Smith.....	Robert Williams.....	Benjamin Smith.....	Andrew Caldwell.....	William Boylan.....	Thomas L. Williams
1809 Benjamin Smith.....	Robert Williams.....	Montfort Stokes.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Boylan.....	Thomas L. Williams
1810 Benjamin Smith.....	Robert Williams.....	Calvin Jones.....	Geo. Lee Davidson.....	William Boylan.....	Thomas L. Williams
1811 Robert Williams.....	Jeremiah Slade.....	Calvin Jones.....	Geo. Lee Davidson.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1812 Robert Williams.....	Jeremiah Slade.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1813 Robert Williams.....	Jeremiah Slade.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1814 John Louis Taylor.....	Jeremiah Slade.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1815 John Louis Taylor.....	Kenn Plummer.....	Calvin Jones.....	William Miller.....	William Boylan.....	Robert Williams
1816 John Louis Taylor.....	John Winslow.....	James Iredell.....	Simmons J. Baker.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1817 Calvin Jones.....	John Winslow.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	Leonard Henderson.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1818 Calvin Jones.....	James Iredell.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	Leonard Henderson.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander Lucas
1819 Calvin Jones.....	Frederick Nash.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	John C. Enrighaus.....	William Boylan.....	Bazaleel Gillett
1820 John Adams Cameron.....	James Iredell.....	Jas. Strudwick Smith.....	Joseph H. Bryan.....	William Boylan.....	Benjamin A. Barham
1821 John Adams Cameron.....	James Iredell.....	Joseph H. Bryan.....	Richard D. Spaight.....	William Boylan.....	Benjamin A. Barham
1822 James Strudwick Smith.....	Francis Lister Hawks.....	Thomas Clancy.....	Bazaleel Gillett.....	William Boylan.....	Alexander J. Lawrence
1823 Robert Strange.....	Francis Lister Hawks.....	Thomas A. Pasteur.....	Bazaleel Gillett.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	Alexander J. Lawrence
1824 Hutchins Gordon Burton.....	Francis Lister Hawks.....	George E. Sprull.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	Alexander J. Lawrence
1825 Hutchins Gordon Burton.....	Francis Lister Hawks.....	George E. Sprull.....	Louis Dicken Wilson.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	Alexander J. Lawrence
1826 Hutchins Gordon Burton.....	John E. Lewis.....	George E. Sprull.....	Jesse Speight.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	Alexander J. Lawrence
1827 Louis Dicken Wilson.....	John Owen.....	James Grant.....	Samuel F. Patterson.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	John C. Stedman
1828 Louis Dicken Wilson.....	John Owen.....	James Grant.....	Samuel F. Patterson.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	John C. Stedman
1829 Louis Dicken Wilson.....	Samuel F. Patterson.....	George Blair.....	John Hill Wheeler.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	John C. Stedman
1830 Richard Dobbs Spaight.....	Samuel F. Patterson.....	George Blair.....	John Hill Wheeler.....	Benjamin A. Barham.....	John C. Stedman

Statistics

GRAND OFFICERS (ELECTIVE) OF NORTH CAROLINA FROM ORGANIZATION IN 1787 TO 1940 (Continued)

Grand Master	Deputy Grand Master	Senior Gr. Warden	Junior Gr. Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Secretary
1881 Henry F. Granger.....	James W. Reid.....	Robert Bingham.....	Charles H. Robinson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1882 Robert Bingham.....	Fabius H. Busbee.....	Charles H. Robinson	William T. Kennedy	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1883 Fabius H. Busbee.....	Charles H. Busbee.....	Samuel H. Smith.....	Samuel H. Smith.....	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1884 Fabius H. Busbee.....	Charles H. Robinson.....	Samuel H. Smith.....	Hezekiah A. Gudger.....	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1885 Fabius H. Busbee.....	Samuel H. Smith.....	Hezekiah A. Gudger.....	John W. Cotten.....	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1886 Charles H. Robinson.....	Samuel H. Smith.....	Hezekiah A. Gudger.....	John W. Cotten.....	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1887 Charles H. Robinson.....	Samuel H. Smith.....	Hezekiah A. Gudger.....	John W. Cotten.....	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1888 Samuel H. Smith.....	Hezekiah A. Gudger.....	John W. Cotten.....	Francis M. Moye.....	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1889 Samuel H. Smith.....	Hezekiah A. Gudger.....	John W. Cotten.....	Francis M. Moye.....	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1890 Samuel H. Smith.....	John W. Cotten.....	Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Darius Wiat.....	Donald W. Bain
1891 Hezekiah A. Gudger.....	John W. Cotten.....	Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	William Simpson.....	Donald W. Bain
1892 Hezekiah A. Gudger.....	John W. Cotten.....	Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	William Simpson.....	Donald W. Bain
1893 John W. Cotten.....	Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Walter E. Moore.....	William Simpson.....	William H. Bain
1894 John W. Cotten.....	Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Walter E. Moore.....	William Simpson.....	William H. Bain
1895 Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Richard J. Noble.....	James A. Leach.....	William Simpson.....	John C. Drewry
1896 Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Beverly S. Royster.....	William Simpson.....	John C. Drewry
1897 Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Henry Irwin Clark.....	William Simpson.....	John C. Drewry
1898 Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Henry Irwin Clark.....	William Simpson.....	John C. Drewry
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1924 Francis M. Moye.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Richard J. Noble.....	Henry Irwin Clark.....	William Simpson.....	John C. Drewry

1831	Richard Dobbs Spaight.....	Rufus Haywood.....	Daniel Coleman.....	Dirk Lindeman.....	Charles D. Lehman.....
1832	Simmons Jones Baker.....	Gray Little.....	John G. Marshall.....	Dirk Lindeman.....	Thomas J. Lemey.....
1833	Samuel F. Patterson.....	Daniel Coleman.....	Edmund B. Freeman.....	Dirk Lindeman.....	John J. Christophers.....
1834	Samuel F. Patterson.....	Daniel Coleman.....	John G. Marshall.....	Green W. Ligon.....	John J. Christophers.....
1835	Lewis H. Martiseller.....	Daniel Coleman.....	Edmund B. Freeman.....	Green W. Ligon.....	William T. Bain.....
1836	Lewis H. Martiseller.....	Henry Blount.....	James Maclin.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1837	David W. Stone.....	William W. Cherry.....	William B. Dunn.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1838	David W. Stone.....	William W. Cherry.....	Duncan B. McRae.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William A. Harrison.....
1839	David W. Stone.....	John G. Marshall.....	Daniel S. Crenshaw.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William A. Harrison.....
1840	Simmons Jones Baker.....	Daniel S. Crenshaw.....	Kader Biggs.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William A. Harrison.....
1841	Daniel S. Crenshaw.....	Thomas E. Pender.....	Davis Young.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William A. Harrison.....
1842	John Hill Wheeler.....	Thomas E. Pender.....	Davis Young.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William A. Harrison.....
1843	Phineas W. Fanning.....	Phineas W. Fanning.....	Arthur S. Taylor.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1844	Phineas W. Fanning.....	Thomas S. Clark.....	William P. Taylor.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1845	Phineas W. Fanning.....	Wiley W. Johnson.....	Talcott Burr.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1846	Phineas W. Fanning.....	John H. Drake.....	Peter Adams.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1847	William F. Collins.....	Talcott Burr.....	William H. Mead.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1848	William F. Collins.....	John H. Drake.....	Job Hiett.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1849	William F. Collins.....	William G. Hill.....	Job Hiett.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1850	Alonzo T. Jenkins.....	Luke Blackmer.....	James E. Allen.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1851	Alonzo T. Jenkins.....	Luke Blackmer.....	James E. Allen.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1852	Alonzo T. Jenkins.....	Luke Blackmer.....	William P. Taylor.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1853	Clement H. Jordan.....	Peter Adams.....	James H. Moore.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1854	Clement H. Jordan.....	William K. Blake.....	Joseph Green.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1855	Pleasant A. Holt.....	William K. Blake.....	Joseph Green.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1856	Pleasant A. Holt.....	James T. Alexander.....	F. M. Cox.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1857	Alfred Martin.....	James T. Alexander.....	Daniel Coleman.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1858	Alfred Martin.....	Henry C. Lucas.....	Eli F. Watson.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1859	Lewis S. Williams.....	Henry C. Lucas.....	Charles C. Clark.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1860	Lewis S. Williams.....	James E. Allen.....	Rufus K. Speed.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1861	William G. Hill.....	Daniel Coleman.....	Rufus K. Speed.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1862	Eli F. Watson.....	John McCormick.....	Rufus K. Speed.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1863	Eli F. Watson.....	John McCormick.....	Robert W. Best.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1864	John McCormick.....	Robert W. Best.....	David H. Stephenson.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1865	Edwin Godwin Reade.....	Robert W. Best.....	John Nichols.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1866	Edwin Godwin Reade.....	William Lander.....	John Nichols.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	William T. Bain.....
1867	Robert B. Vance.....	Robert B. Vance.....	Thomas M. Gardner.....	Cel. W. D. Hutchings.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1868	Robert B. Vance.....	Ellis Malone.....	Samuel H. Rountree.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1869	Robert B. Vance.....	Ellis Malone.....	Samuel H. Rountree.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1870	Charles C. Clark.....	John Nichols.....	Samuel H. Rountree.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1871	Charles C. Clark.....	John Nichols.....	Clinton A. Cilley.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1872	John Nichols.....	Clinton A. Cilley.....	Robert W. Hardie.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1873	John Nichols.....	Clinton A. Cilley.....	Robert W. Hardie.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1874	George W. Blount.....	Thomas M. Gardner.....	Horace H. Munson.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1875	George W. Blount.....	Thomas M. Gardner.....	Robert V. Blackstock.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1876	Horace H. Munson.....	Clinton A. Cilley.....	James C. L. Gudge.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1877	Horace H. Munson.....	Clinton A. Cilley.....	James C. L. Gudge.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1878	William R. Cox.....	Thomas S. Kenan.....	Henry F. Grainger.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1879	William R. Cox.....	James C. L. Gudge.....	Henry F. Grainger.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....
1880	Henry F. Grainger.....	James W. Reid.....	Charles H. Robinson.....	William E. Anderson.....	Donald W. Bain.....

1925	Leon Cash.....	John E. Cameron.....	J. H. Anderson.....	R. C. Dunn.....	R. C. Dunn.....	Benjamin R. Lacy.....	William W. Willson.....
1926	John E. Cameron.....	J. H. Anderson.....	R. C. Dunn.....	J. J. Phoenix.....	J. J. Phoenix.....	Benjamin R. Lacy.....	William W. Willson.....
1927	John H. Anderson.....	R. C. Dunn.....	J. J. Phoenix.....	A. J. Harris.....	A. J. Harris.....	Benjamin R. Lacy.....	William W. Willson.....
1928	R. C. Dunn.....	John J. Phoenix.....	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.....	B. S. Royster, Jr.....	B. S. Royster, Jr.....	Benjamin R. Lacy.....	William W. Willson.....
1929	John J. Phoenix.....	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.....	B. S. Royster, Jr.....	P. T. Wilson.....	P. T. Wilson.....	John J. Phoenix.....	John H. Anderson.....
1930	E. W. Timberlake, Jr.....	H. C. Alexander.....	H. C. Alexander.....	P. T. Wilson.....	Roy F. Ebbs.....	John J. Phoenix.....	John H. Anderson.....
1931	J. W. Winborne.....	H. C. Alexander.....	P. T. Wilson.....	Roy F. Ebbs.....	C. B. Newcomb.....	John J. Phoenix.....	John H. Anderson.....
1932	H. C. Alexander.....	P. T. Wilson.....	Roy F. Ebbs.....	C. B. Newcomb.....	J. G. Hudson.....	John J. Phoenix.....	John H. Anderson.....
1933	P. T. Wilson.....	Roy F. Ebbs.....	C. B. Newcomb.....	J. G. Hudson.....	Watson N. Sherrod.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1934	Roy F. Ebbs.....	C. B. Newcomb.....	J. G. Hudson.....	Watson N. Sherrod.....	Harry T. Paterson.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1935	Chas. B. Newcomb.....	J. G. Hudson.....	Watson N. Sherrod.....	Harry T. Paterson.....	J. Edward Allen.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1936	J. G. Hudson.....	Watson N. Sherrod.....	Harry T. Paterson.....	J. Edward Allen.....	Thos. J. Harkins.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1937	Watson N. Sherrod.....	Harry T. Paterson.....	J. Edward Allen.....	Thos. J. Harkins.....	C. P. Eldridge.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1938	Harry T. Paterson.....	J. Edward Allen.....	Thos. J. Harkins.....	C. P. Eldridge.....	Jas. W. Payne.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1939	J. Edward Allen.....	Thos. J. Harkins.....	C. P. Eldridge.....	Jas. E. Shipman.....	Jas. W. Payne.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....
1940	Thos. J. Harkins.....	C. P. Eldridge.....	Jas. E. Shipman.....	Jas. W. Payne.....	Jas. W. Payne.....	H. C. Alexander.....	John H. Anderson.....

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Canada.....	E. G. Dixon.....	Hamilton
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Ireland.....	H. C. Shellard.....	Dublin
Manitoba.....	J. H. G. Russell.....	Winnipeg
New Brunswick.....	R. D. Magee.....	St. John
New South Wales.....	James S. Miller.....	Sydney
New Zealand.....	H. A. Lamb.....	Christchurch
Nova Scotia.....	James C. Jones.....	Halifax
Philippine Islands.....	Teodore M. Kalaw.....	Manila
Prince Edward Island.....	Charles M. Williams.....	Charlottetown
Quebec.....	W. W. Williamson.....	Montreal
Queensland.....	Leslie P. Marks.....	Brisbane
Saskatchewan.....	W. B. Tate.....	Regina
Scotland.....	Thos. G. Winning.....	Edinburgh
South Australia.....	R. Owen Fox.....	Adelaide
Victoria.....	William Stewart.....	Melbourne
Western Australia.....	A. E. Jensen.....	Perth

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National of Denmark.....	Alex. Troedsson.....	Copenhagen
National of France.....	G. H. Haroreaves.....	Paris
Norway.....	J. P. Graff Wang.....	Oslo
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Tennessee	January	Paul F. Lanius	Nashville	T. Earl Doss	Nashville
Texas	December	Leo Hart	Gilmer	George H. Belew	Waco
Utah	September	Wm. Littlejohn	Salt Lake City	S. H. Goodwin	Salt Lake City
Vermont	June	Charles F. Dalton	Burlington	A. S. Harriman	Burlington
Virginia	February	Thomas J. Traylor	Roanoke	James M. Clift	Richmond
Washington	June	Charles P. Kirtland	Auburn	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
West Virginia	October	Robert S. Lemon	Parkersburg	Ira Wade Coffman	Charleston
Wisconsin	June	George F. Lounsburg	Milwaukee	Wm. F. Weller	Milwaukee
Wyoming	August	Wm. J. Haines	Evanston	Joseph M. Lowndes	Casper

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		CEARA, BRAZIL			
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NO., NAME and DISTRICT	POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY and ADDRESS	MASTER and ADDRESS
1 St. John's (10)-----	Wilmington-----	Henry L. Taylor, Wilmington, 615 Murchison Bldg-----	Andrew H. Harriss, Jr., 901 Market St., Wilmington
2 Royal White Hart (4)-----	Halifax-----	W. R. Caudle, Halifax-----	A. L. Hux, Halifax
3 St. John's (7)-----	New Bern-----	E. W. Summerell, New Bern-----	Harry Lipman, New Bern
4 St. John's (6)-----	Kinston-----	R. G. Wooten, Kinston-----	M. V. Harlan, Kinston
5 Charty (2)-----	Windsor-----	Leo O. Wynne, Windsor-----	B. E. Grant, Windsor
7 Unanimity (2)-----	Edenton-----	J. Edwin Burflap, Edenton-----	C. W. Sawyer, Edenton
8 Phoenix (14)-----	Fayetteville-----	F. C. Franklin, Fayetteville-----	R. W. Bowling, Fayetteville
10 Johnston-Caswell (19)-----	Warrenton-----	Dr. R. S. Jones, Warrenton-----	Harry Cohen, Warrenton
11 Caswell Brotherhood (21)-----	Yanceyville-----	O. A. Powell, Yanceyville-----	C. V. McKinney, Yanceyville
13 St. John's (9)-----	Kenansville-----	O. P. Johnson, Kenansville-----	Gilbert M. Honeycutt, Kenansville
17 American George (4)-----	Murfreesboro-----	L. S. Lee, Murfreesboro-----	M. T. Moye, Murfreesboro
19 Eagle (21)-----	Hillsboro-----	C. M. Walker, Hillsboro-----	G. G. Blvins, Hillsboro
27 Statesville (29)-----	Statesville-----	S. W. Hoffman, Statesville-----	F. L. Dysard, Jr., Statesville
31 Phalanx (27)-----	Charlotte-----	F. Wm. E. Cullingford, 407 E. Trade St., Charlotte-----	Chas. W. Bundy, Charlotte
32 Stokes (25)-----	Concord-----	H. G. Gibson, Concord-----	W. Ross Little, Concord
39 Davie (2)-----	Lewiston-----	Garvey Bazemore, Lewiston-----	R. N. Hoggard, Lewiston
40 Hiram (15)-----	Raleigh-----	Roy R. Pool, Raleigh, 1314 Mordecai Dr.-----	Samuel M. Young, Sr., 206 E. Martin St., Raleigh
45 Liberty (33)-----	Wilkesboro-----	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro-----	Thos. R. Bryan, Wilkesboro
53 Hall (1)-----	Indiantown-----	Oscar M. Wynn, Belcross-----	W. D. Barnard, 1734 Lafayette Blvd., Norfolk, Va.
56 King Solomon (4)-----	Jackson-----	Harvey D. Hart, Jackson-----	Rev. Richard Lloyd, Jackson
58 Concord (18)-----	Tarboro-----	J. P. Keech, Tarboro-----	W. D. Wagner, Tarboro
59 Perseverance (3)-----	Plymouth-----	John W. Darden, Plymouth-----	E. H. Liverman, Plymouth
64 Kilwinning (26)-----	Wadesboro-----	C. A. Bland, Wadesboro-----	Barrington T. Hill, Wadesboro
75 Widow's Son (1)-----	Camden-----	E. C. Bell, Jr., Belcross-----	C. H. Parker, Belcross
76 Greensboro (23)-----	Greensboro-----	Wilson S. Michell, Greensboro, Box 92-----	Henry M. Adams, Sedgfield, Greensboro
81 Zion (7)-----	Trenton-----	V. L. Pollock, Trenton-----	W. W. Barker, Jr., Trenton
83 Lafayette (10)-----	Jacksonville-----	Robert C. Warlick, Jacksonville-----	Chas. E. Warn, Jacksonville
84 Fellowship (14)-----	Smithfield-----	C. Albert Stallings, Smithfield-----	J. Roy Keene, Smithfield
85 Morning Star (18)-----	Nashville-----	A. S. Ballard, Nashville-----	T. C. Bunting, Nashville
90 Skewarkee (2)-----	Williamston-----	B. D. Courtney, Williamston-----	R. H. Goodman, Williamston
91 Western Star (44)-----	Rutherfordton-----	W. O. Geer, Rutherfordton-----	J. H. Carpenter, Rutherfordton

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OF NORTH CAROLINA NEAR OTHERS	Address	GRAND LODGE	OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR N. C.	Address
Enrique P. Loya	Mexico City	EL POTOSI, SAN LUIS	Chas. M. Walker	Hillsboro
Juck J. Zahler	Mexico City	TULISCO		
Angel N. Rosas	Vera Cruz	TAMAULIPAS		
Raul Sobrino Campos	Merida	VALLE DE MEXICO		
Wm. Malling	Copenhagen	YORK G. L.	J. T. Ingram	Lenoir
Youssef Ibrahim Marzouk	Cairo	VERA CRUZ		
W. J. Coombes	Paris	La Orien. Peninsular, Yucatan	P. E. G. Renninger	Winston-Salem
Frederico J. Lacayo	Managua	NATIONAL OF DENMARK	L. H. Gillikin	Goldsboro
Sam J. Parkhill	St. John	NATIONAL OF EGYPT	M. Saliba	Wilson
		NATIONAL OF FRANCE	J. G. Beaman	Marion
F. C. Wade	Christchurch	NICARAGUA	Sol Lipman	Chapel Hill
Halvard A. Ghoenacess	Oslo	NEW BRUNSWICK	F. W. McGowan	Kenansville
Wm. Koch	Trondhjem	NEW SOUTH WALES	J. W. Nichols	North Wilkesboro
F. E. Rice	Digby	NEW ZEALAND	C. C. Bryan	Burgaw
David Colman Dassa	Cristobal, C. Z.	NORWAY	R. L. Pope	Thomasville
		NORWAY, G. L. Norske, Pol.	Henry L. Taylor	Wilmington
		NOVA SCOTIA	J. Bailey Owen	Henderson
		PANAMA	J. Edward Allen	Warrenton
		PARAGUAY	Guy H. Morris	Asheville
		PERU	A. O. Alford	Raleigh
Uda B. Moss	Lima	PHILIPPINE ISLANDS		
U. D. Laya	Dansalan	POLAND	C. M. Gueth	High Point
Iytus Filipowicz	Warsaw	PORTO RICO	A. S. Chesson	Wilson
Jose Gonzalez Ginorio	San Juan	PRINCE EDWARD IS.	Roy A. Harmon	Ek Park
Lemuel Winchester	Charlottetown	QUEBEC	J. W. Payne	Salisbury
J. D. McFadyen	Stanstead	QUEENSLAND	J. G. Hudson	Salisbury
Harry Vickers	Brisbane	REPUBLIC OF GUATEMALA	H. A. Newell	Henderson
Edmundo Osborn	Guatemala	SASKATCHEWAN	Wm. R. Smith	Raleigh
A. M. Bell	Adanac	SCOTLAND	C. B. Newcomb	Wilmington
Daniel Robertson	Edinburgh	SOUTH AUSTRALIA		
Clabbott	Adelaide	SWEDEN	W. H. White	Sanford
Carl Frdk Cassel	Stockholm	TASMANIA	Murray C. Alexander	Charlotte
John W. Clinch	Hobart	URUGUAY	R. K. McNeely	Moorestville
Santiago Tavella	Montivideo	VENEZUELA	H. Kaufman	Raleigh
		VICTORIA	H. A. Cox	Mayodan
Geo. J. A. Cole	Bairnsdale	VIENNA, AUSTRIA	John J. Phoenix	Greensboro
Dr. Fredk. Otto Hentz	Vienna	WESTERN AUSTRALIA	F. I. Watson	Raleigh
David R. Cargill	Mount Lawley	Masonic Federation Roumania		

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NO., NAME and DISTRICT	POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY and ADDRESS	MASTER and ADDRESS
162 Yadkin (30)-----	Yadkinville-----	C. N. Dobbins, Yadkinville-----	W. E. Dobbins, Yadkinville-----
165 Archer (15)-----	Clayton, RFD-----	B. W. Hinnant, Wendell-----	E. W. Narron, Zebulon-----
167 Winston (30)-----	Winston-Salem-----	R. P. Rawley-----	Percy C. Phillips, Winston-Salem, % Phillips Lumber Co.-----
170 Blackmer (39)-----	Weaverville-----	Fred. A. Manchester-----	Geo. W. Garrison, Weaverville-----
171 Colerain (2)-----	Colerain-----	Clearview Terrace, Asheville-----	Dr. C. S. Credle, Colerain-----
172 Buffalo (13)-----	Jonesboro-----	C. R. Godwin, Colerain-----	E. F. O'Connell, Jonesboro-----
174 Geo. Washington (16)-----	Apex, Rt. 1-----	E. B. Watson, Jonesboro-----	J. R. Mathews, New Hill, Rt. 2-----
176 Mecklenburg (27)-----	Davidson-----	R. W. Seymour, Apex, Rt. 2-----	W. H. Jetton, Davidson-----
181 Carthage (13)-----	Carthage-----	M. A. Abernathy, Davidson-----	E. H. Garrison, Jr., Carthage-----
187 Central Cross (18)-----	Hunts-----	S. R. Hoyle, Carthage-----	J. E. Wilder, Spring Hope, Rt. 1-----
188 Balfour (24)-----	Asheboro-----	J. A. Valentine, Nashville, Rt. 2-----	Vernon C. Johnson, Asheboro-----
190 Fair Bluff (10)-----	Fair Bluff-----	C. H. Caviness, Asheboro-----	M. A. Waddell, Fair Bluff-----
191 Granite (15)-----	Clayton-----	J. P. Waddell, Fair Bluff-----	R. L. Cooper, Clayton-----
198 Cary (16)-----	Cary-----	J. M. Turley, Clayton-----	C. L. Beddingfield, Cary-----
202 Cleveland (37)-----	Shelby-----	R. O. Heater, Cary-----	Z. J. Thompson, Jr.,-----
203 Roanoke (4)-----	Weldon-----	R. G. Laughridge, Shelby-----	J. T. D. Rawlings, Weldon-----
205 Long Creek (27)-----	Huntersville-----	306 N. Morgan St.-----	F. W. Dotger, Charlotte, Rt. 7-----
206 Mingo (9)-----	Dunn, RFD-----	S. J. Dixon, Weldon-----	A. E. Baggett, Erwin-----
207 Lebanon (10)-----	Whiteville-----	A. R. Henderson, Huntersville-----	W. M. Hasty, Whiteville-----
208 Mt. Olive (6)-----	Mt. Olive-----	Earl Warren, Newton Grove-----	Paul G. Smith, Mt. Olive-----
209 Randleman (24)-----	Randleman-----	A. C. Meares, Whiteville-----	T. L. Helms, Randleman-----
210 Eno (21)-----	Durham-----	R. E. Hatch, Mt. Olive-----	Ted D. Wolfe, Durham-----
214 Thomasville (23)-----	Thomasville-----	H. H. Hamilton, Randleman-----	R. A. Hanes, Thomasville-----
217 Catawba Valley (36)-----	Morganton-----	E. W. Carlton, Durham-----	W. K. Keeter, Morganton-----
218 Wm. G. Hill (16)-----	Raleigh-----	910 Arnett Ave.-----	Whitmel H. Anthony, Raleigh, Carolina Buick Co.-----
226 Wilson (29)-----	Olin-----	J. F. Garner, Thomasville-----	B. C. Robertson, Charles-----
229 Henderson (19)-----	Henderson-----	C. E. Cowan, Morganton-----	J. M. Balty, Henderson-----
230 Corinthian (18)-----	Rocky Mount-----	C. T. McClenaghan, Raleigh-----	H. F. Hinson,-----
231 Wm. T. Balm (16)-----	Hollands Church-----	D. E. White, Statesville, Rt. 2-----	503 Chester St., Rocky Mount-----
233 Lenoir (6)-----	La Grange-----	J. L. Wester, Henderson-----	E. Jack Fish, Raleigh, Box 224-----
237 Mystic Tie (44)-----	Marion-----	J. B. Barnes, Rocky Mt.,-----	Wade H. Ferguson, La Grange-----
240 Wicacoan (2)-----	Harrellsville-----	508 Buena Vista Ave.-----	B. A. Dickson, Marion-----
		E. E. Banks, Raleigh, Rt. 3-----	R. R. Jackson, Harrellsville-----
		Leonard R. Britt, La Grange-----	
		A. H. Mitchem, Marion-----	
		S. E. Harrell, Harrellsville-----	

92	Joseph Warren (17)	Stantonsburg	Douglas B. Darden, Stantonsburg	N. Paul Coley, Stantonsburg
95	Jerusalem (6)	Hookerton	A. C. Edwards, Hookerton	C. C. Sugg, Hookerton
97	Neuse (15)	Millbrook	E. T. Beddingfield, Box 1641, Raleigh	J. E. Green, Raleigh, Rt. 5
98	Hiram (9)	Clinton	Rev. O. E. Bryant, Clinton	W. G. King, Clinton
99	Fulton (25)	Salisbury	J. F. Link, Box 566, Salisbury	M. C. Brown, Salisbury, E. Fisher St.
102	Columbus (13)	Pittsboro	A. D. Hartsell, Pittsboro	J. A. Farrell, Pittsboro
104	Orr (3)	Washington	Millard F. McKeel, Jr., Washington	Leonidas B. Wynne, Washington
106	Perquimans (1)	Hertford	J. S. Vick, Hertford, Box 143	F. T. Johnson, Hertford
109	Franklin (7)	Beaufort	Wm. H. Bailey, Beaufort	J. R. Williams, Beaufort
112	Wayne (6)	Goldsboro	Lester H. Gillikin, Box 446, Goldsboro	C. Harvey Gurley, Goldsboro
113	Person (20)	Roxboro	O. Z. Gentry, Roxboro	C. A. Harris, Roxboro
114	St. Alban's (11)	Lumberton	Dr. R. T. Allen, Lumberton	J. T. Covington, Lumberton
115	Holly Springs (16)	Holly Springs	R. C. Stephens, Holly Springs	Roy W. Keith, Holly Springs
117	Mt. Lebanon (17)	Wilson	M. Saliba, Wilson	James L. Hales, Str., Wilson
118	Mt. Hermon (39)	Asheville	Chas. C. Ricker, Asheville, Masonic Temple	E. B. Candler, W. Asheville, 49 Harvard Pl.
122	Oxford (20)	Oxford	D. S. Johnson, Oxford	A. B. Overton, Oxford
123	Franklinton (19)	Franklinton	John T. Sawyer, Franklinton	S. E. Mercer, Franklinton
125	Mill Creek (9)	Newton Grove	Luby Denning, Newton Grove, R-1	Isiah Tart, Newton Grove, Rt. 2
126	Gatesville (1)	Gatesville	P. L. Hofier, Gatesville	W. Henry Overman, Gatesville
127	Blackmer (24)	Mount Gilead	C. T. Haywood, Mt. Gilead	J. A. Ausley, Mt. Gilead
128	Hanks (24)	Franklinville	C. H. Julian, Franklinville	E. C. Routh, Franklinville
129	Dan River (23)	Madison	John O. Busick, II, Madison	A. M. Cox, Madison
132	Radiance (6)	Snow Hill	Robt. L. Hart, Snow Hill	Lee Herring, Snow Hill
134	Mocksville (30)	Mocksville	Z. N. Anderson, Mocksville	H. C. Meroney, Mocksville
136	Leaksville (23)	Leaksville	L. P. Mitchell, Leaksville	W. W. Gwynn, Leaksville
137	Lincoln (28)	Lincolnton	J. Robert McNeely, Lincolnton	M. L. Slpe, Lincolnton
138	King Solomon (10)	Burgaw	T. T. Murphy, Burgaw	Samuel H. Ingram, Burgaw
143	Mt. Vernon (13)	Bonlee	P. H. Nance, Bonlee	W. T. Brooks, Bonlee
145	Junaluskee (42)	Franklin	C. G. Moore, Franklin	Henry W. Cabe, Franklin
146	Cherokee (43)	Murphy	J. C. Hembree, Murphy	W. A. Hembree, Murphy
147	Palmyra (14)	Dunn	Chas. R. Storey, Dunn	James Snipes, Dunn
149	Adoniram (20)	Cornwall	M. W. Clement, Nelson, Va.	G. W. Hart, Virgilina, Va.
150	Pee Dee (25)	Norwood	Herbert J. Lentz, Norwood	James P. Lowder, Norwood
151	Sanford (13)	Sanford	W. L. McIver, Sanford	W. B. Burroughs, Sanford
154	Scotch-Ireland (25)	Cleveland	Walter L. Iyerly, Woodleaf	G. W. Etheridge, Woodleaf
155	White Stone (15)	Wakefield	J. M. Stallings, Zebulon, Rt. 2	Albert Lee Pulley, Zebulon
156	Rolesville (15)	Rolesville	H. E. Perry, Wake Forest, Rt. 2	R. S. Williams, Wake Forest, Rt. 2
158	Knap of Reeds (21)	Bahama	M. P. Sanford, Bahama	S. M. Southerland, Bahama

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331 Bayboro (7)	Bayboro	J. L. Scott, Grantsboro	H. D. Potter, Cash Corner
335 Rowland	Rowland	C. A. Alford, Rowland	Lindsay Normant, Rowland
339 Fairview (37)	Kings Mountain	O. C. O'Farrell, Kings Mt.	S. A. Crouse, Kings Mountain
340 Harmony (6)	Pikeville	J. B. Scott, Pikeville	L. R. Worrell, Pikeville
341 Rock Spring (28)	Denver	W. E. King, Denver	W. A. Poole, Iron Station
343 Hickory (36)	Hickory	D. L. Miller, Hickory	C. L. Ivory, Hickory
344 Numa F. Reid (23)	High Point	Isaac Fiddler, High Point	J. C. Turner, High Point
348 Stanley (25)	Albemarle	R. C. Hill, Albemarle, Box 388	John B. Boyett, Albemarle
352 Durham (21)	Durham	H. M. Brown, Durham, Box 1365	Cabell B. Jones, Durham, Drawer 1351
356 Fallston (37)	Fallston	T. A. Lee, Fallston	J. B. Wilson, Fallston
357 Bakersville (40)	Bakersville	J. F. Greene, Bakersville	Geo. L. Greene, Bakersville
358 East LaPort (42)	East LaPort	T. D. L. Waters, East La Porte	John T. Moses, East La Porte
359 Mt. Vernon (7)	Oriental	J. L. Dixon, Oriental	J. H. Pugh, Oriental
363 Snow (40)	Sugar Grove	E. E. Garbee, Boone	W. W. Williams, Blowing Rock
366 Craighead (27)	Huntersville		
369 Gastonia (28)	Gastonia	A. S. Melvin, Gastonia, Box 1129	John Curtis Roberts, Gastonia, Lee St.
373 Ashler (33)	Deep Gap	E. R. Mikeal, Todd	D. L. Stanberry, Laxon
374 Campbell (29)	Troutman	G. M. Young, Troutman	C. A. Fox, Troutman
375 State Line (37)	Grover	B. F. Bird, Grover	A. F. Collins, Grover
377 Youngsville (19)	Youngsville	S. E. Winston, Youngsville	W. C. Perry, Youngsville
378 Seaboard (4)	Seaboard	P. A. Bullock, Seaboard	Z. L. Davenport, Gumberry
379 Coharie (9)	Salemberg	O. J. Vann, Salemberg	L. M. Jackson, Salemberg
380 Granville (20)	Wake Forest, Rt. 3	S. M. Bailey, Wake Forest, Rt. 3	C. D. Davis, Raleigh
381 Forest City (44)	Forest City	J. E. Caldwell, Forest City	F. I. Barber, Forest City
382 Shawnee (36)	Long Island	W. O. Rone, Catawba, Rt. 2	Sumpter Moss, Long Island
384 Reidsville (23)	Reidsville	D. R. Young, Reidsville	C. S. Teasley, Reidsville
386 Pigeon River (41)	Canton	Gunnar W. Bohnsdahl, Canton	James E. Henderson, Canton
387 Kedron (38)	Hendersonville	L. R. Geiger, Hendersonville	H. H. Bangs, Hendersonville
388 Mooresboro (37)	Mooresboro	J. P. McSwain, Mooresboro	R. G. Burrus, Mooresboro
390 Copeland (31)	Copeland	J. H. Collins, Rockford	F. E. Bass, Siloam
391 Lebanon (14)	Hope Mills	M. Hamilton, Hope Mills	B. G. Gunter, Marshall, Rt. 3
392 White Rock (39)	White Rock	P. B. Ray, Marshall, Rt. 3	J. K. Watkins, Stem
393 Tally Ho (20)	Stem	O. G. Clayton, Stem, Rt. 1	Harry F. Hufham, Wilmington
395 Orient (10)	Wilmington	Walter H. McClain, Wilmington, Box 791	

243	Grifton (5)	Grifton	J. W. Gilbert, Grifton	R. A. Nelson, Grifton
244	Monroe (26)	Monroe	C. A. Price, Monroe	J. E. Stewart, Monroe
248	Catawba (36)	Newton	Clarence Clapp, Jr., Newton	R. N. Hoyle, Newton
249	Pythagoras (10)	Southport	C. N. Phillips, Southport	R. F. Plaxco, Southport
253	Lee (29)	Taylorsville	E. L. Hedrick, Taylorsville	W. W. Harrington, Taylorsville
257	Kenly (17)	Kenly	E. T. Bethea, Kenly	E. V. Neighbors, Kenly
258	Fuquay (16)	Fuquay Springs	W. J. Ballentine, Fuquay Springs	C. D. Partin, Willow Springs
259	Waynesville (41)	Waynesville	C. B. Hosalook, Waynesville	Floyd Elbert Burgess, Waynesville
261	Excelsior (27)	Charlotte	B. W. Barnett, Charlotte, Box 761	S. A. McFalls, Charlotte
262	Hibriten (36)	Lenoir	J. E. Shell, Lenoir	R. L. Bradley, Lenoir
263	Gaston (28)	Dallas	J. P. Hoffman, Dallas	James R. Gribble, Dallas
265	Farmington (30)	Farmington	F. H. Bannson, Farmington	O. M. Howell, Cana, R. F. D.
267	Dunn's Rock (38)	Brevard	Henry R. Henderson, Brevard	A. E. York, Brevard
268	Unaka (42)	Sylva	W. D. Warren, Sylva	S. C. Cogdill, Sylva
271	Tobasco (23)	Gibsonville	W. P. Killeter, Gibsonville	T. J. Hoffman, Gibsonville
272	Bingham (21)	Mebane	W. M. Baker, Mebane	John Hill Payne, Mebane
276	Beaver Dam (26)	Marshville	W. B. Gore, Marshville	V. J. Whitely, Marshville
277	Green Level (16)	Apex, Rt. 3	G. M. Beavers, Apex, Rt. 3	Rev. G. T. Mills, Apex, Rt. 3
279	Rehoboth (9)	Rose Hill	A. L. Ward, Rosehill	Kenneth Taylor, Magnolia
282	Wake Forest (15)	Wake Forest	C. S. Barnes, Wake Forest	Dr. L. Owen Rea, Wake Forest
283	Eureka (25)	China Grove	J. E. Correll, China Grove	E. B. Safriet, China Grove
284	Greenville (5)	Greenville	N. R. Joyner, Greenville	L. F. Hales, Greenville
289	Salem (30)	Winston-Salem	Chas. S. Kimmel, Salem Sta. Box 72, Winston-Salem	T. Archie Shreve, 633 Reynolds Bldg., W.-Salem
292	French Broad (39)	Marshall	Carl R. Stuart, Marshall	J. Moody Chandler, Marshall
293	Vance (39)	Stockville	H. B. Bradley, Stockville	Herbert G. Roberts, Stockville
294	Atlantic (3)	Swan Quarter	Wm. T. Cochran, Swan Quarter	Joe L. Swindell, Swan Quarter
296	Stonewall (5)	Robersonville	Earl M. Coburn, Robersonville	Paul D. Roberson, Robersonville
299	Hunting Creek (29)	Union Grove	Wm. B. Tutterow, Union Grove	Bertie Trivett, Union Grove
300	Aurora (3)	Aurora	D. E. Lewis, Aurora	O. K. Mays, Aurora
301	Clay (43)	Hayesville	W. T. Bungarner, Hayesville	Pearl C. Scroggs, Hayesville
302	Lillington (14)	Lillington	J. A. Walker, Lillington	J. O. Sutton, Lillington
304	Pleasant Hill (6)	Pink Hill	Paul Outlaw, Seven Springs	Dortch Stroud, Deep Run
305	Laurinburg (12)	Laurinburg	C. E. Muse, Laurinburg	John W. Jones, Laurinburg
306	Raeford (12)	Raeford	Edgar Hall, Raeford	E. Chisholm, Raeford
314	New Lebanon (1)	South Mills	J. W. Jones, South Mills	Condor L. Granger, Elizabeth City, Rt. 4
317	Eureka (1)	Elizabeth City	J. C. Munden, Elizabeth City	J. Evans Blades, Elizabeth City
319	Wilmington (10)	Wilmington	David J. Padrick Wilmington, 1709 Ann St.	Samuel Behrends, Wilmington, 416 S. 19th St.
320	Selma (17)	Selma	W. T. Woodard, Selma	E. C. Perry, Selma
322	Granite (31)	Mt. Airy	J. C. Hill, Mt. Airy	R. W. Walters, Mt. Airy
328	Mattamuskeet (3)	Engelhard	R. S. Cox, Engelhard	W. O. White, Engelhard

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473 Lexington (23)-----	Lexington-----	I. S. Hutchins, Lexington-----	P. M. Hendrix, Lexington
474 St. Pauls (11)-----	St. Pauls-----	Alex McDonald, St. Pauls-----	L. J. Moore, St. Pauls
475 Grimesland (5)-----	Grimesland-----	G. S. Porter, Chicod-----	G. C. Elks, Grimesland
479 Rainbow (7)-----	Arapahoe-----	H. C. Reel, New Bern, Rt. 1-----	H. B. Lee, Arapahoe
481 Spring Hope (18)-----	Spring Hope-----	Hobart Brantley, Spring Hope-----	Chas. Brantley, Spring Hope
482 Saluda (38)-----	Saluda-----	H. L. Capps, Saluda-----	D. W. Pace, Saluda
483 Traphill (33)-----	Traphill-----	D. B. Swaringen, Traphill-----	J. W. Bryan, Traphill
484 Southern Pines (12)-----	Southern Pines-----	Lloyd L. Woolley, Southern Pines-----	Ralph L. Chandler, Southern Pines
486 Lawndale (37)-----	Lawndale-----	J. W. Lee, Lawndale-----	P. P. Richards, Lawndale
488 Rich Square (4)-----	Rich Square-----	J. G. Madrey, Rich Square-----	A. A. Bryan, Rich Square
489 Linville (40)-----	Newland-----	Lloyd W. Sudderth, Montezuma-----	W. W. Braswell, Montezuma
491 Hominy (39)-----	Candler-----	Rupert J. Crowell, Candler-----	A. K. Queen, Candler
492 Thos. M. Holt (21)-----	Graham-----	J. S. Cook, Graham-----	J. M. Hughes, Graham
493 Pilot (31)-----	Pilot Mountain-----	P. S. Swanson, Pilot Mountain-----	W. P. Henley, Pilot Mountain
495 Rockingham (12)-----	Rockingham-----	William Leo Allen, Rockingham-----	John Calvin Hammond, Rockingham
496 Mooresville (29)-----	Mooresville-----	E. A. Morrow, Mooresville, N. Main St.-----	T. M. Funk, Mooresville, Kelly Ave.
497 Royal Hart (19)-----	Littleton-----	D. W. King, Littleton-----	W. T. Person, Littleton
498 Ayden (5)-----	Ayden-----	E. T. Smith, Ayden-----	C. E. Spear, Ayden
499 Creedmoor (20)-----	Creedmoor-----	W. J. Holmes, Creedmoor-----	O. E. Wheeler, Creedmoor
500 Raleigh (15)-----	Raleigh-----	J. W. Kellogg, Raleigh, Box 711-----	D. T. Moore, Raleigh
501 Red Springs (11)-----	Red Springs-----	G. C. Lang, Red Springs-----	Z. V. McMillan, Red Springs
502 Cookville (36)-----	near Henry-----	James E. Sain, Connelly Springs-----	J. C. Mull, Vale, Rt. 2
504 Luke McGlaughan (2)-----	Ahoskie-----	Geo. S. Falls, Cherryville-----	David P. Dellinger, Cherryville
505 Cherryville (28)-----	Cherryville-----	U. S. G. Phillips, Unaka-----	G. W. Barnes, Unaka
506 Unaka (43)-----	Unaka-----	G. A. Thomas, Belhaven-----	Bennie Harris, Leechville
509 Belhaven (3)-----	Belhaven-----	T. H. Kiser, Bessemer City-----	A. W. Kincaid, Bessemer City
515 Whetstone (28)-----	Bessemer City-----	J. O. Jenkins, Aulander-----	R. A. Hollowell, Aulander
516 Aulander (2)-----	Aulander-----	C. F. Baucum, Farmville-----	John Hill Paylor, Farmville
517 Farmville (5)-----	Farmville-----	D. P. Wike, Roanoke Rapids-----	Norris Hannon, Roanoke Rapids
519 Widows Son (4)-----	Roanoke Rapids-----	P. E. Swindell, Fairfield-----	R. L. Jones, Fairfield
520 Fairfield (3)-----	Fairfield-----	L. D. Hassell, Manteo-----	Leo E. Midgett, Manteo
521 Wanchese (1)-----	Wanchese-----	W. H. Stephenson, Pendleton-----	C. A. Davis, Conway
524 Pendleton (4)-----	Pendleton-----		

397	Bald Creek (39)	Swiss	W. T. Tomberlin, Swiss	Max Proffitt, Bald Creek
399	Conoho (2)	Hamilton	Elmer R. Edmondson, Bethel	T. B. Slade, Hamilton
401	Joppa (44)	Old Fort	H. M. Hensley, Old Fort	F. M. Bradley, Old Fort
403	Siler City (13)	Siler City	W. R. Harmon, Siler City	J. E. Spence, Jr., Siler City
404	Denton (23)	Denton	Bert M. Lanier, Denton	John F. Mitchell, Denton
405	Ocean (7)	Morehead City	H. L. Joslyn, Morehead City	W. T. Davis, Morehead City
407	N. Wilkesboro (33)	N. Wilkesboro	Ira D. Payne, N. Wilkesboro	Geo. P. Johnson, Wilkesboro
408	Unlversity (21)	Chapel Hill	E. G. Harrington, 419 Cameron Avenue, Chapel Hill	Dr. J. P. Jones, Chapel Hill
409	Bula (21)	Burlington	E. N. Pearce, Burlington	W. Levi Burke, Burlington
411	Bailey (17)	Bailey	J. S. Collier, Bailey	T. S. Stott, Bailey
412	Henry F. Grainger (20)	Oxford, Rt. 5	C. P. O'Brien, Oxford, Rt. 5	J. W. Mangum, Oxford, Rt. 5
413	Louisburg (19)	Louisburg	J. O. Wheeler, Louisburg	S. C. Foster, Louisburg
417	Maxton (11)	Maxton	F. C. Frostick, Maxton	C. H. Whitlock, Maxton
418	Potocasi (4)	Potocasi	C. W. Blowe, Potocasi	F. R. Bryant, Woodland
420	Harmon (30)	Yadkinville, Rt. 1	L. F. Craver, Yadkinville	Dewey Dixon, Cana
423	Sparta (34)	Sparta	Isom W. Wagoner, Eunice	Edward Pugh, Laurel Springs
426	Montgomery (43)	Ranger	B. L. Fox, Murphy, Rt. 2	R. L. Keenum, Suit
427	Oconee (42)	Bryson City	E. C. Gibson, Bryson City	W. C. Morgan, Bryson City
428	Stokesdale (23)	Stokesdale	S. E. Adcock, Stokesdale	P. P. Simpson, Stokesdale
429	Sea Side (10)	Swansboro	T. H. Pritchard, Swansboro	C. D. Tolson, Swansboro
431	Relief (14)	Benson	A. M. Stephenson, Benson	E. M. Canaday, Benson
432	Piney Creek (34)	Piney Creek	W. R. Pugh, Piney Creek	Mc. F. Parsons, Piney Creek
433	Vanceboro (7)	Vanceboro	M. L. Basnight, Vanceboro	D. W. Ferebee, Vanceboro
434	West Bend (30)	Lewisville	C. M. Lasley, Clemmons, Rt. 1	M. A. Braswell, Clemmons, Rt. 1
435	Blue Ridge (42)	Highlands	W. W. Edwards, Highlands	C. C. Potts, Highlands
437	Biscoe (24)	Biscoe	O. H. Lambert, Biscoe	Max W. Higgins, Biscoe
439	Marble Springs (43)	Marble	Victor Baxter, Marble	J. M. Lovingood, Marble
444	Marletta (24)	Ramseur	W. E. Marley, Ramseur	R. C. White, Ramseur
446	Biltmore (38)	Biltmore	Alfred J. Creasman, Asheville, 4 Lynmar Ave.	Harry E. Boorse, Asheville, 48 Gracelyn Rd.
447	Enfield (4)	Enfield	C. M. Hodgins, Enfield	H. M. Lynch, Enfield
453	Clyde (41)	Clyde	Edwin Fincher, Clyde	E. W. Rogers, Waynesville
454	Elkin (31)	Elkin	F. W. Graham, Elkin	Hugh A. Royal, Elkin
459	Dillsboro (42)	Dillsboro	R. F. Jarrett, Dillsboro	J. M. Hughes, Cherokee
460	Cliffside (44)	Cliffside	R. C. Watkins, Cliffside	C. L. Rhymer, Cliffside
461	Matthews (27)	Matthews		
462	South Fork (28)	Cramerton	W. R. Howe, Cramerton	W. R. Bush, Cramerton
463	Currituck (1)	Coinjock	D. S. Wright, Jarvisburg	J. F. Overton, Coinjock
465	Gulf (13)	Gulf	J. E. Moore, Gulf	J. F. Adcock, Cumnock
471	Grassy Knob (29)	Union Grove	W. E. McCarter, Union Grove	P. M. Prevettie, N. Wilkesboro, Rt. 3
472	Sonoma (41)	Canton, Rt. 2	T. R. Moore, Waynesville, Rt. 1	G. E. Stamey, Canton, Rt. 3

LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA — Continued

NO., NAME and DISTRICT	POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY and ADDRESS	MASTER and ADDRESS
590 Lowell (28)-----	Lowell-----	L. E. Sanders, Lowell-----	H. H. Roberts, Lowell
592 Malden (36)-----	Malden-----	Grady A. Hewitt, Malden-----	Ira H. Bost, Malden
593 Stony Point (29)-----	Stony Point-----	S. N. Honeycutt, Stony Point-----	W. J. Nesbitt, Stony Point
594 Helton (34)-----	Sturgills-----	J. O. Blevins, Lansing-----	Bryan Kirby, Sturgills
595 Wallace (9)-----	Wallace-----	Clifton J. Knowles, Wallace-----	LeRoy Lanier, Wallace
596 Waccamaw (10)-----	Bolton-----	Haskett Applewhite, Bolton-----	G. F. Ellis, Bolton
598 Cranberry (40)-----	Elk Park-----	C. C. Huskins, Elk Park-----	B. H. Winters, Elk Park
602 Queen City (18)-----	Rocky Mount-----	E. Carr Speight, Rocky Mt.-----	John D. Weaver, Rocky Mt.
605 Jeff L. Nelson (38)-----	Tryon-----	R. A. Leonard, Tryon-----	Ralph Jackson, Tryon
606 River Side (36)-----	Catawba-----	E. L. Harwell, Catawba-----	R. L. Boggs, Catawba
607 Chadbourne (10)-----	Chadbourne-----	T. E. Derrick, Chadbourne-----	F. T. Wooten, Chadbourne
609 Zebulon (15)-----	Zebulon-----	G. S. Barbee, Zebulon-----	W. G. Temple, Zebulon
612 Atkinson (10)-----	Atkinson-----	R. L. Croom, Atkinson-----	J. S. Pate, Atkinson
613 Home (6)-----	Fremont-----	Geo. W. Davis, Fremont-----	C. S. Davis, Fairmont, Rt. 1
616 Round Peak (31)-----	Round Peak-----	Walter Johnson, Mt. Airy, Rt. 3-----	Henry Partis, Mt. Airy, Rt. 6
617 St. Patricks (6)-----	Princeton-----	M. P. Young, Princeton-----	H. A. Watson, Princeton
618 Union (25)-----	Midland-----	A. P. Widenhouse, Midland-----	G. B. Haigler, Monroe, R. F. D.
624 John H. Mills (19)-----	Epsom-----	H. A. Faulkner, Louisville, Rt. 3-----	W. J. Bowen, Henderson, Rt. 1
626 Cannon Memorial (25)-----	Kannapolis-----	T. I. Graham, Kannapolis-----	R. C. Ewin, Kannapolis
627 Belmont (28)-----	Belmont-----	H. C. Setzer, Belmont-----	Ted C. Hillion, Belmont
629 Walnut Cove (30)-----	Walnut Cove-----	M. O. Jones, Walnut Cove-----	J. C. Bailey, Walnut Cove
630 Francis S. Packard (19)-----	Norlina-----	Harry W. Walker, Norlina-----	H. L. Forbes, Norlina
634 Goldsboro (6)-----	Goldsboro-----	W. A. Hawley, Goldsboro-----	Geo. A. Parker, Goldsboro
637 Yadkin Falls (25)-----	Badin-----	W. H. Davis, Badin-----	W. S. Feezor, Badin
638 Richlands (3)-----	near Aurora-----	B. F. Cox, Aurora-----	L. P. Jordan, Aurora
643 Proctorville (11)-----	Proctorville-----	J. A. Nye, Fairmont-----	H. H. Atkinson, Proctorville
646 Bladen (11)-----	Elizabethtown-----	W. W. Woodhouse, Elizabethtown-----	W. B. Purdie, White Oak
650 John A. Nichols (39)-----	Asheville-----	James L. Brown, Asheville, Box 302-----	D. F. Eller, Asheville,
651 Harmony (29)-----	Harmony-----	W. L. McSwain, Harmony-----	50 Vandalla Ave.
654 Elberta (12)-----	West End-----	Wyatt W. Wall, West End-----	R. C. Shaw, Harmony
656 Guilford (23)-----	Greensboro-----	G. W. Covington, Greensboro, Box 240-----	J. H. Poole, West End
657 Keller Memorial (25)-----	Rockwell-----	P. J. Lysterly, Granite Quarry-----	H. B. Price, Greensboro,
658 Beulaville (9)-----	Beulaville-----	T. Y. Dobson, Beulaville-----	606 N. Mendenhall St.
663 Black Mountain (38)-----	Black Mountain-----	A. G. Callison, Black Mountain-----	C. M. Barrier, Rockwell
664 Garland (9)-----	Garland-----	S. L. Smith, Garland-----	Walter Rhodes, Beulaville
			R. R. Viverett, Black Mt.
			J. C. Carter, Sr., Garland

525	Rodgers (17)	Middlesex	J. J. Kemp, Middlesex	B. E. Strickland, Middlesex
527	Lucama (17)	Lucama	Wiley Lamm, Lucama	J. K. Blake, Lucama
528	Fairmont (11)	Fairmont	Paul H. Thompson, Fairmont	J. A. Small, Fairmont
529	Andrews (43)	Andrews	Galusha Pulliam, Andrews	Clyde H. Jarrett, Andrews
530	Joppa (27)	Charlotte	A. W. Cunningham, Charlotte	Henry L. Ingold, Charlotte
532	Hamlet (12)	Hamlet	Charlotte, Box 534	112 S. Cedar St.
534	Camp Call (37)	Shelby, Rt. 5	H. C. Phifer, Hamlet	L. W. Spencer, Hamlet
535	Hollis (44)	Hollis	G. A. Green, Shelby, Rt. 5	G. W. Lee, Shelby, Rt. 5
538	Williams (27)	Cornelius	B. Blanton, Ellenboro, Rt. 1	Clay Blanton, Ellenboro, Rt. 1
541	Parkton (11)	Parkton	A. D. Cashion, Cornelius	Chas. S. Ballard, Davidson
542	Corinthian (23)	Greensboro	D. A. Sikes, Parkton	L. M. Powell, Parkton
543	Spencer (25)	Spencer	Emory C. Fox	John R. Wilkins
544	Mt. Holly (28)	Mt. Holly	Greensboro, Box 1006	Greensboro, Banner Bldg.
549	Elon (21)	Elon College	J. E. Connel, Spencer	A. L. Frick, Spencer
550	Roman Eagle (12)	Aberdeen	A. M. Smith, Mt. Holly	R. E. Rhyme, Mt. Holly
551	Glenville (42)	Glenville	L. D. Martin, Elon College	W. B. Terrell, Elon College
552	Revolution (23)	Greensboro	A. K. Pennington, Aberdeen	W. H. McNeill, Aberdeen
554	Vesper (40)	Spruce Pine	H. R. Queen, Sylva	M. V. Breedlove, Glenville
555	Elise (13)	Hemp	W. W. Carruthers, B. Fairview St.	B. F. Thomas, Greensboro
556	Neil S. Stewart (14)	Erwin	Greensboro	Green Point Dr.
558	Ararat (31)	Ararat	W. L. McNeil, Spruce Pine	A. W. Phillips
560	Sulphur Springs (33)	N. Wilkesboro, Rt. 1	C. S. Lewis, Hemp	Spruce Pine
561	Swannanoa (38)	Swannanoa	E. G. Purcell, Erwin	G. E. Walker, Hemp
562	Waxhaw (26)	Waxhaw	C. W. Marion, Ararat	Edwin M. Bost, Erwin
563	Tabor (10)	Tabor City	H. H. Jennings, N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Stewart, Ararat
564	Richland (7)	Richlands	I. Sydney Croy, Swannanoa, P. O. Box 5	J. A. Adams, N. Wilkesboro
565	Wendell (15)	Wendell	J. T. Allen, Wendell	J. H. Smith, Swannanoa
566	Ronda (33)	Ronda	H. A. Hanks, Ronda	K. T. Miller, Waxhaw
568	Doric (7)	New Bern	Cyrus L. Powell, New Bern	Oscar Hattaway, Whiteville
569	Mt. Pleasant (17)	Bailey	T. A. Griffin, Bailey	A. F. Shaw, Richlands
571	Snow Creek (29)	Statesville, Rt. 5	D. N. McLeland, Statesville, Rt. 2	W. C. Land, Wendell
573	Mt. Pleasant (33)	Champion	W. C. Triplett, Purlear	Wm. A. Stroud, Ronda
576	Andrew Jackson (25)	Salisbury	J. E. Haynes, Salisbury	Sam T. Cook, New Bern
578	Meadow Branch (26)	Wingate	W. V. Williams, Wingate, Rt. 1	R. L. Glover, Bailey
579	Casar (37)	Casar	Miller Newton, Casar	T. Ward Guy, Statesville
583	Ionic (7)	Cove City	T. W. Parker, Dover	J. C. McNeal, Champion
584	Apex (16)	Apex	Geo. T. Rogers, Apex	James H. McKenzie, Salisbury
585	Roseboro (9)	Roseboro	M. T. Owen, Roseboro	Sam A. Love, Wingate
589	Bethel (5)	Bethel	E. O. Burroughs, Bethel	E. L. Propst, Belwood, Rt. 1
				H. H. Latham, Cove City
				J. A. Cash, Jr., Apex
				Geo. W. Butler, Roseboro
				J. S. Moore, Bethel

ABSTRACT OF RETURNS FROM SUBORDINATE LODGES

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1939

1—ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT—Camden, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Pasquotank and Perquimans Counties

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Hall, Currituck	53	1	1	1	...	7	...	...	2	2	...	41	45	...	4
Widow's Son, Camden	75	1	3	6	...	...	...	4	...	1	1	35	36	...	1
Perquimans, Perquimans	106	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	53	50	3	...
Gatesville, Gates	126	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	38	38	...	...
* Atlantic, Currituck	238	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	1	...	16	...	16	...
New Lebanon, Camden	314	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	37	38	...	1
Eureka, Pasquotank	317	8	7	7	3	...	...	2	4	...	...	151	155	...	4
Currituck, Currituck	463	11	13	13	3	...	...	2	1	1	2	77	89	...	12
Wanchese, Dare	521	6	6	6	1	1	...	...	...	2	2	171	177	...	6
		31	33	37	7	8	...	22	6	15	4	619	628	...	9

* Charter Atlantic Lodge, No. 238, surrendered Dec. 7, 1939.

2—WINDSOR DISTRICT—Bertie, Chowan, and part of Hertford and Martin Counties

Charity, Bertie	5	2	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	90	90	...	...
Unanimity, Chowan	7	3	2	3	...	...	...	2	1	1	1	76	75	1	...
Davie, Bertie	39	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	42	43	...	1
Skewarkee, Martin	90	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	98	98	...	...
Coleraine, Bertie	171	4	6	5	1	1	...	8	...	1	1	28	26	2	...
Wiccacon, Hertford	240	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	29	29	...	...
Conoho, Martin	399	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	30	28	2	...
* Luke McGlaughan	504	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	42	42	...	...
Aulander, Bertie	516	2	2	2	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	23	24	...	1
		12	14	15	1	3	1	12	3	6	2	458	455	3	...

* No Return from Luke McGlaughan Lodge, No. 504.

3—PLYMOUTH DISTRICT—Beaufort, Hyde, and Washington Counties

Perseverance, Washington	59	5	3	4	1	...	...	5	2	1	1	98	95	3	...
Orr, Beaufort	104	3	3	3	1	...	...	...	3	1	...	184	184	...	...
Atlantic, Hyde	294	1	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	1	43	36	7	...
Aurora, Beaufort	300	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	38	42	...	4
Mattamuskeet, Hyde	328	3	1	1	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	46	44	2	...
Belhaven, Beaufort	509	2	2	2	1	...	...	6	...	1	...	84	80	4	...
Fairfield, Hyde	520	2	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32	35	...	3
* Richland, Beaufort	638	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26	26	...	...
		16	11	14	4	2	...	21	5	3	3	551	542	9	...

* No Return from Richland Lodge, No. 638.

4—HALIFAX DISTRICT—Halifax and Northampton Counties and part of Hertford County

* Royal White Hart, Halifax ..	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	29	...	...
American George, Hertford ..	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	44	37	7	...
King Solomon, Northampton ..	56	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	66	66	...	...
Roanoke, Halifax	203	1	1	1	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	49	46	3	...
Seaboard, Northampton	378	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	45	45	...	...
Potecasi, Northampton	418	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	72	71	1	...
Enfield, Halifax	447	5	6	6	10	...	...	1	2	3	1	124	134	...	10
Rich Square, Northampton ..	488	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	45	43	2	...
Widow's Son, Halifax	519	6	5	5	5	1	...	1	...	2	1	76	84	...	8
Pendleton, Northampton	524	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	54	54	...	...
		13	14	14	15	1	...	13	4	8	2	604	609	...	5

* No Return from Halifax Lodge, No. 2.

665	W. Asheville (39)	Asheville	J. W. McRary, W. Asheville, 106 Carrier St.	C. A. Dutton, W. Asheville, 51 State St.
666	N. C. Lodge Research (26)	Monroe	J. Ray Shute, Monroe	K. W. Parham, Raleigh
667	Fort Bragg (14)	Fort Bragg	C. W. Scarbrough, Fort Bragg	Charles C. Bailey, Fort Bragg
668	Holland Memorial (28)	Gastonia	F. C. Abernethy, Gastonia	W. J. Terry, Gastonia
669	Kernersville (30)	Kernersville	E. E. Shore, Kernersville	Fred H. Morris, Kernersville
670	Lovelady (36)	Valdese	W. K. Sawyer, Valdese	Benjamin Grill, Valdese
671	Ashe (34)	W. Jefferson	W. D. McMillan, W. Jefferson	W. B. Austin, Jefferson
672	Robbinsville (43)	Robbinsville	H. F. Carpenter, Robbinsville	T. M. Jenkins, Robbinsville
673	Spindale (44)	Spindale	F. C. Kinzie, Spindale	C. P. Parks, Spindale

Abstract of Returns From Subordinate Lodges—(Continued)

10—WILMINGTON DISTRICT—Brunswick, Columbus, New Hanover, Pender and part of Onslow

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
St. John's, New Hanover	1	6	7	7	5	2		4	5	11	2	443	437	6	...
Lafayette, Onslow	83							3			1	49	46	3	...
King Solomon, Pender	138	5	3	3	3			1	1	2		81	83		2
Fair Bluff, Columbus	190	4		2	1	1			1			52	55		3
Lebanon, Columbus	207		1	1	4	1	1			2		65	67		2
Pythagoras, Brunswick	249	4	6	6	2				3	4	2	104	105		1
Wilmington, New Hanover	319	1	1	1	1	1		1	3	6		167	160	7	...
Orient, New Hanover	395	1	1	1	1			2	1	3		145	140	5	...
Seaside, Onslow	429	4	4	1	1	1						45	48		3
Tabor, Columbus	563	1	2	1	1	2				2	1	55	53		...
Waccamaw, Columbus	596								3	3		38	32	6	...
Chadbourn, Columbus	607							3				42	38	4	...
Atkinson, Pender	612	1	1	1					2			23	22	1	...
		27	26	24	19	8	1	17	21	33	6	1307	1286	21	...

11—LUMBERTON DISTRICT—Bladen and Robeson Counties

St. Alban's, Robeson	114	6	4	4				3	8	4		175	164	11	...
Rowland, Robeson	335			1					1	1		27	26	1	...
Maxton, Robeson	417							2		2		53	49	4	...
St. Paul's, Robeson	474	9	6	4	2	2		3	2	1		36	38		2
Red Springs, Robeson	501					1		1		2	1	64	62	2	...
Fairmont, Robeson	528	1	2	2		1		5				36	34	2	...
* Parkton, Robeson	541											31	31		...
Proctorville, Robeson	643									1		23	22	1	...
Bladen, Bladen	646				1					1		37	37		...
		16	12	11	3	4		14	11	12		482	463	19	...

* No Return from Parkton Lodge, No. 541.

12—ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT—Hoke, Richmond, Scotland and part of Moore Counties

Laurinburg, Scotland	305	12	9	10	6	1			2	3		106	118		12
Raeford, Hoke	306				3				1			54	56		2
Southern Pines, Moore	484				1	2		3	3	4		90	83	7	...
Rockingham, Richmond	495	2	2	2	1					1		72	74		2
Hamlet, Richmond	532	1	1	1				2	1	4	2	157	151	6	...
Roman Eagle, Moore	550	4	4	1	2	7			3			44	51		7
Elberta, Moore	654							1				40	39	1	...
		19	16	14	13	10		6	10	12	2	563	572		9

13—SANFORD DISTRICT—Chatham, Lee and part of Moore Counties

Columbus, Chatham	102			1					1	2		52	50		...
Mount Vernon, Chatham	143								2	1		54	51	3	...
Sanford, Lee	151	4	3	3	1			3	3	3	1	217	212	5	...
Buffalo, Lee	172	2	1	1	1	3		4				77	77		...
Carthage, Moore	181	3	6	4	1					1		42	46		4
Siler City, Chatham	403	3	2	1	6			1		1		91	96		5
Gulf, Chatham	465									1		22	21	1	...
Elise, Moore	555	4	4	6	1					1	1	45	51		6
		16	16	16	10	3		8	6	11	2	600	604		4

Abstract of Returns From Subordinate Lodges—(Continued)

5—GREENVILLE DISTRICT—Pitt County and part of Martin

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Grifton, Pitt	243	6	6	6	1	1	2	1	2	2	...	66	68	...	2
Greenville, Pitt	284	9	10	12	6	2	1	5	2	3	4	190	199	...	9
Stonewall, Martin	296	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	57	58	...	1
Grinesland, Pitt	475	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	46	46	...	...
Ayden, Pitt	498	3	3	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	38	...	5
Farmville, Pitt	517	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	2	...	...	80	77	3	...
Bethel, Pitt	589	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	69	67	2	...
...	...	20	21	22	10	3	1	9	6	7	4	541	553	...	12

6—KINSTON DISTRICT—Greene, Lenoir and Wayne Counties and part of Johnston County

St. John's, Lenoir	4	2	...	...	2	7	...	2	...	1	3	158	164	...	6
Jerusalem, Greene	95	1	2	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	25	28	...	3
Wayne, Wayne	112	4	4	4	2	2	...	7	6	2	1	145	138	7	...
Radiance, Greene	132	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	51	52	...	1
Mount Olive, Wayne	208	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	53	51	2	...
Lenoir, Lenoir	233	3	3	3	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	26	29	...	3
Pleasant Hill, Lenoir	304	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	34	...	1
Harmony, Wayne	340	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34	36	...	2
Home, Wayne	613	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	26	26	...	...
St. Patrick, Johnston	617	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	14	...	...
Goldsboro, Wayne	634	4	1	1	3	...	...	9	5	4	1	134	120	14	...
...	...	19	15	16	10	11	...	20	15	9	5	699	692	7	...

7—NEW BERN DISTRICT—Carteret, Craven, Pamlico and a part of Jones and Onslow

St. John's, Craven	3	3	2	3	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	110	114	...	4
Zion, Jones	81	1	1	1	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	48	52	...	4
Franklin, Carteret	109	6	9	6	...	3	...	...	2	...	...	85	92	...	7
Bayboro, Pamlico	331	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	78	76	2	...
Mount Vernon, Pamlico	359	3	3	2	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	44	43	1	...
Ocean, Carteret	405	9	9	8	2	2	...	1	1	...	1	91	101	...	10
Vanceboro, Craven	433	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	46	48	...	2
479	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	17	...	...
Rainbow, Pamlico	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	21	...	1
Richlands, Onslow	564	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	261	273	...	12
Doric, Craven	568	6	7	7	6	8	1	2	3	3	4	38	45	...	7
Ionic, Craven	583	5	5	6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	37	41	38	15	13	1	8	7	6	5	838	882	...	44

8th DISTRICT Eliminated

9—CLINTON DISTRICT—Duplin and Sampson Counties

St. John's, Duplin	13	1	1	1	1	...	...	1	1	1	6	130	129	1	...
Hiram, Sampson	98	1	...	...	2	1	...	19	5	4	...	130	105	25	...
Mill Creek, Sampson	125	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	1	...	26	20	6	...
Mingo, Sampson	206	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	24	24	...	...
Rehoboth, Duplin	279	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	46	49	...	3
Coharie, Sampson	379	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	33	32	1	...
Roseboro, Sampson	585	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	54	51	3	...
Wallace, Duplin	595	3	3	3	2	1	...	...	...	3	...	86	89	...	3
Beaulaville, Duplin	658	2	1	1	1	1	49	48	1	...
Garland, Sampson	664	1	1	1	...	1	25	27	...	2
...	...	10	8	10	5	4	...	26	12	10	6	603	574	29	...

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18—ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT—Edgecombe County and part of Nash County

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Concord, Edgecombe	58	2	2	2	2	...	...	...	2	6	...	86	82	4	...
Morning Star, Nash	85	1	1	1	...	...	...	8	...	1	...	63	55	8	...
Central Cross, Nash	187	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	37	36	1	...
Corinthian, Nash	230	4	4	4	6	4	...	...	1	4	...	135	144	...	9
Spring Hope, Nash	481	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	32	30	2	...
Queen City, Edgecombe	602	...	1	1	...	7	...	1	4	1	...	143	145	...	2
		7	8	8	8	11	...	9	7	15	...	496	492	4	...

19—HENDERSON DISTRICT—Franklin, Vance and Warren Counties

Johnston-Caswell, Warren	10	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	56	56	...	...
Franklinton, Franklin	123	3	2	1	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	55	48	7	...
Henderson, Vance	229	3	2	3	2	2	...	4	2	3	2	116	114	2	...
Youngsville, Franklin	377	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	29	25	4	...
Louisburg, Franklin	413	3	...	...	1	1	...	4	...	...	...	57	55	2	...
Royal Hart, Warren	497	2	2	2	1	...	...	2	...	1	...	52	52	...	...
J. H. Mills, Vance	624	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	42	41	1	...
Francis S. Packard, Warren	630	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	49	47	2	...
		12	6	6	4	5	...	24	4	5	2	456	438	18	...

20—OXFORD DISTRICT—Granville and Person Counties

Person, Person	113	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	86	87	...	1
Oxford, Granville	122	5	5	4	1	1	...	5	4	2	...	148	143	5	...
Adoniram, Granville	149	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38	38	...	...
Granville, Granville	380	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	24	23	1	...
Tally Ho, Granville	393	3	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	22	23	...	1
Henry F. Grainger, Granville	412	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	28	...	1
Creedmoor, Granville	499	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	31	31	...	...
		9	10	9	2	1	...	5	5	5	...	376	373	3	...

21—DURHAM DISTRICT—Alamance, Durham, Orange and Caswell Counties

Caswell Brotherhood, Caswell	11	3	2	2	...	...	...	2	1	2	...	109	106	3	...
Eagle, Orange	19	3	3	3	1	1	...	3	...	4	...	148	146	2	...
Knap of Reeds, Durham	158	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	55	54	1	...
Eno, Durham	210	4	4	5	1	...	...	4	6	1	...	189	184	5	...
Bingham, Alamance	272	1	1	1	2	...	...	2	2	1	...	69	67	2	...
Durham, Durham	352	9	10	10	6	5	...	...	4	7	1	333	343	...	10
University, Orange	408	5	5	5	...	4	...	1	1	...	...	91	98	...	7
Bula, Alamance	409	7	5	5	6	3	...	1	5	2	2	195	201	...	6
Thos. M. Holt, Alamance	492	1	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	34	35	...	1
Elon, Alamance	549	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	2	1	...	45	43	11	...
		33	31	32	17	13	...	22	21	19	3	1268	1268	...	...

22nd DISTRICT Eliminated

23—GREENSBORO DISTRICT—Davidson, Guilford and Rockingham Counties

Greensboro, Guilford	76	4	6	5	8	14	...	5	4	5	...	313	326	...	13
Dan River, Rockingham	129	2	2	3	2	1	...	...	...	1	...	40	45	...	5
Leaksville, Rockingham	136	10	10	11	...	1	...	3	2	3	1	162	166	...	4
Thomasville, Davidson	214	4	4	3	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	101	100	1	...
Tobasco, Guilford	271	1	1	3	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	42	42	...	...
Numa F. Reid, Guilford	344	3	3	3	...	17	...	8	1	1	1	209	219	...	10
Reidsville, Rockingham	384	4	3	3	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	147	150	...	3
Denton, Davidson	404	2	2	1	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	57	55	2	...
Stokesdale, Guilford	428	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	77	77	...	...
Lexington, Davidson	473	2	3	3	3	1	...	5	2	3	1	166	163	3	...
Corinthian, Guilford	542	6	8	7	...	7	...	6	10	2	...	232	228	4	...
Revolution, Guilford	552	6	7	6	...	1	...	3	3	2	2	176	175	1	...
Guilford, Guilford	656	2	2	2	2	5	2	95	102	...	7
		47	52	51	16	47	...	35	27	21	5	1817	1848	...	31

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14—FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT—Cumberland and Harnett Counties
and part of Johnston County

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Phoenix,, Cumberland	8	3	3	3	5	1	...	4	1	11	1	184	177	7	...
Fellowship, Johnston	84	11	11	12	3	2	...	1	1	...	...	55	70	...	15
Palmyra, Harnett	147	4	3	3	2	1	...	3	1	2	...	145	145	...	...
Lillington, Harnett	302	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	53	50	3	...
* Lebanon, Cumberland	391	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	31	...	...
Relief, Johnston	431	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	48	48	...	...
Neill S. Stewart, Harnett	556	2	2	2	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	62	62	...	...
Fort Bragg, Cumberland	667	9	7	7	2	...	1	...	1	3	2	69	73	...	4
		31	28	27	14	4	1	10	6	19	3	647	656	...	9

* No Return from Lebanon Lodge, No. 391.

15—RALEIGH DISTRICT—Part of Wake County, and part of
Johnston County

Hiram, Wake	40	3	3	3	6	1	...	2	2	1	1	268	273	...	5
Neuse, Wake	97	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	39	41	...	2
White Stone, Wake	155	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	47	46	1	...
Rolesville, Wake	156	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	22	...	...
Archer, Johnston	165	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	31	29	2	...
Granite, Johnston	191	1	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	31	31	...	...
Wake Forest, Wake	282	1	1	2	...	2	...	...	1	3	...	66	66	...	...
Raleigh, Wake	500	2	3	3	2	...	...	2	4	5	...	145	139	6	...
Wendell, Wake	565	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	73	68	5	...
Zebulon, Wake	609	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	39	40	...	1
		9	10	10	10	4	1	6	7	16	1	761	755	6	...

16—APEX DISTRICT—Part of Wake County and part of Chatham County

Holly Springs, Wake	115	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	29	28	1	...
Geo. Washington, Chatham	174	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	44	...	1
Cary, Wake	198	2	2	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	45	43	2	...
Wm. G. Hill, Wake	218	5	8	8	5	3	...	1	...	10	2	386	391	...	5
Wm. T. Bain, Wake	231	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	22	21	1	...
Fuquay, Wake	258	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	69	70	...	1
Green Level, Wake	277	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	44	41	3	...
Apex, Wake	584	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	52	...	2
		10	13	12	8	3	...	3	3	15	2	688	690	...	2

17—WILSON DISTRICT—Wilson County and parts of Nash and
Johnston Counties

Joseph Warren, Wilson	92	2	2	3	...	...	...	...	2	3	...	81	79	2	...
Mount Lebanon, Wilson	117	1	1	1	1	...	...	27	2	...	...	163	129	34	...
Kenly, Johnston	257	3	4	5	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	56	61	...	5
* Hatcher, Wilson	310	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	24	23	1	...
Selma, Johnston	320	2	6	4	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	77	81	...	4
Bailey, Nash	411	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	2	2	...	66	57	9	...
Rodgers, Nash	525	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	40	38	2	...
Lucama, Wilson	527	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	34	33	1	...
Mount Pleasant, Nash	569	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	15	14	1	...
		11	14	14	4	1	...	35	9	16	...	556	515	41	...

* Charter Hatcher Lodge, No. 310, surrendered Jan. 2, 1940.

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29—STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Alexander and Iredell Counties

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Statesville, Iredell	27	1	4	4	1	3	...	6	4	...	1	157	155	2	...
Wilson, Iredell	226	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	25	...	1
Lee, Alexander	253	3	3	3	2	1	...	3	1	7	...	81	86	5	...
Hunting Creek, Iredell	299	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	20	...	...
Campbell, Iredell	374	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	18	19	...	1
Grassy Knob, Iredell	471	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	31	30	1	...
Mooreville, Iredell	486	1	1	1	1	1	...	4	3	1	...	87	82	5	...
Snow Creek, Iredell	571	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26	26	...	...
Stony Point, Alexander	593	2	1	...	1	2	...	3	...	1	...	39	39	...	...
Harmony, Iredell	651	2	2	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	24	27	...	3
		15	16	15	5	9	...	16	12	9	1	517	509	8	...

30—WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT—Davie, Forsyth, Stokes and Yadkin Counties

Mocksville, Davie	134	1	1	2	2	...	...	1	...	1	...	119	121	...	2
Yadkin, Yadkin	162	4	4	4	1	1	...	1	...	1	...	64	68	...	4
Winston, Forsyth	167	6	7	7	2	1	...	6	6	5	...	376	369	7	...
Farmington, Davie	265	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	20	19	1	...
Salem, Forsyth	289	7	9	9	3	...	1	7	1	4	...	252	251	1	...
Harmon, Yadkin	420	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	18	17	1	...
West End, Forsyth	434	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	36	37	...	1
Walnut Cove, Stokes	629	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	53	51	2	...
Kernersville, Forsyth	669	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	2	...	37	34	3	...
		20	24	25	10	2	1	18	9	17	...	975	967	8	...

31—ELKIN DISTRICT—Surry County

Granite, Surry	322	4	4	3	3	1	...	...	3	4	1	168	168	...	...
Copeland, Surry	390	6	7	7	6	...	...	...	1	...	...	45	57	...	12
Elkin, Surry	454	1	3	3	1	1	...	...	2	1	...	83	85	...	2
Pilot, Surry	493	4	3	3	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	52	53	...	1
Ararat, Surry	558	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	17	...	...
Round Peak, Surry	616	1	1	...	1	3	...	...	...	2	...	38	40	...	2
		15	18	16	11	5	...	1	7	7	1	403	420	...	17

32nd DISTRICT Eliminated

33—WILKESBORO DISTRICT—Wilkes County and part of Watauga County

Liberty, Wilkes	45	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	1	1	...	67	63	4	...
North Wilkesboro, Wilkes	407	1	1	3	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	93	92	1	...
* Clingman, Wilkes	440	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	18	...	18	...
† Ashler, Watauga	451	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	37	36	1	...
Trap Hill, Wilkes	483	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	...	...	28	23	5	...
Sulphur Springs, Wilkes	560	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	14	...	1
Ronda, Wilkes	566	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	21	...	...
Mount Pleasant, Wilkes	573	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	31	30	1	...
		5	4	5	1	1	...	26	5	5	...	308	279	29	...

* Charter Clingman Lodge, No. 440 surrendered Nov. 13, 1939.

† Ashler Lodge, No. 451 and Elk Lodge, No. 373 consolidated March 22, 1940 as Ashler Lodge No. 373 at Deep Gap.

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24—ASHEBORO DISTRICT—Montgomery and Randolph Counties

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Refected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Blackmer, Montgomery	127	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	41	40	1	...
Hanks, Randolph	128	2	3	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	37	38	...	1
Balfour, Randolph	188	2	2	2	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	73	75	...	2
Randleman, Randolph	209	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	27	...	3
Biscoe, Montgomery	437	2	2	2	6	1	...	9	1	1	...	114	112	2	...
Marietta, Randolph	444	1	1	1	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	45	40	5	...
		7	8	9	8	2	...	15	4	2	...	334	332	2	...

25—SALISBURY DISTRICT—Cabarrus, Rowan and Stanly Counties

Stokes, Cabarrus	32	4	1	1	2	2	...	...	1	3	1	227	228	...	1
Fulton, Rowan	99	7	7	7	3	2	...	2	1	7	1	254	256	...	2
Pee Dee, Stanly	150	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	48	44	4	...
Scotch-Ireland, Rowan	154	4	4	5	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	90	92	...	2
Eureka, Rowan	283	1	1	3	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	97	96	1	...
Stanly, Stanly	348	9	9	8	...	1	...	5	3	5	1	209	205	4	...
Spencer, Rowan	543	...	...	...	3	...	...	2	1	1	...	167	166	1	...
Andrew Jackson, Rowan	576	1	3	2	...	...	...	3	5	2	...	177	169	8	...
Union, Cabarrus	618	2	1	1	...	...	...	5	1	...	...	45	40	5	...
Cannon Memorial, Cabarrus	626	18	18	18	3	...	...	5	1	1	3	183	197	...	14
Yadkin Falls, Stanly	637	14	14	14	1	...	...	1	...	3	...	106	117	...	11
Keller Memorial, Rowan	657	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	25	25	...	...
		60	58	59	12	6	...	28	13	29	6	1628	1633	...	7

26—MONROE DISTRICT—Anson and Union Counties

Kilwinning, Anson	64	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	6	...	132	124	8	...
Monroe, Union	244	6	3	2	7	8	...	4	2	4	...	117	124	...	7
Beaver Dam, Union	276	4	4	4	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	42	48	...	6
Waxhaw, Union	562	2	2	2	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	40	41	...	1
Meadow Branch, Union	578	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	30	27	3	...
N. C. Lodge Research, Union	666	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	27	...	2
		12	9	8	11	9	...	7	5	11	1	386	391	...	5

27—CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—Mecklenburg County

Phalanx, Mecklenburg	31	16	18	19	15	15	...	5	5	7	...	433	465	...	32
Mecklenburg, Mecklenburg	176	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	40	41	...	1
Long Creek, Mecklenburg	205	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	30	...	...
Excelsior, Mecklenburg	261	5	3	6	7	2	...	18	4	7	1	453	439	14	...
* Craighead, Mecklenburg	366	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26	26	...	...
† Matthews, Mecklenburg	461	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	29	...	...
Joppa, Mecklenburg	530	15	12	11	18	3	...	14	9	7	1	434	436	...	2
Williams, Mecklenburg	538	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	32	...	1
		37	34	37	41	21	...	37	18	22	2	1476	1498	...	22

* No Return from Craighead Lodge, No. 366.

† No Return from Matthews Lodge, No. 461.

28—GASTONIA DISTRICT—Gaston and Lincoln Counties

Lincoln, Lincoln	137	3	3	3	...	1	...	...	2	3	1	115	114	1	...
Gaston, Gaston	263	1	1	2	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	53	51	2	...
Rock Springs, Lincoln	341	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	27	25	2	...
Gastonia, Gaston	369	4	5	1	2	5	...	...	3	2	2	229	232	...	3
South Fork, Gaston	462	8	4	4	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	67	70	...	3
Cherryville, Gaston	505	3	2	2	2	2	...	1	2	1	1	76	78	...	2
Whetstone, Gaston	515	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	49	49	...	...
Mount Holly, Gaston	544	1	2	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	74	79	...	5
Lowell, Gaston	590	1	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	76	73	3	...
Belmont, Gaston	627	7	7	6	1	...	2	...	99	104	...	5
Holland Memorial, Gaston	628	7	5	5	4	4	1	68	72	...	4
		36	31	26	9	12	...	11	10	12	6	933	947	...	14

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39—ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—Madison County and part of Buncombe and Yancey

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
Mount Hermon, Buncombe	118	6	5	5	14	23	...	20	4	12	...	409	415	...	6
Blackmer, Buncombe	170	...	...	1	1	1	...	3	...	...	...	55	55	...	...
French Broad, Madison	292	2	4	4	...	6	...	9	1	1	...	56	55	1	...
Vance, Buncombe	293	1	1	1	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	54	58	...	4
White Rock, Madison	392	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	15	12	3	...
Bald Creek, Yancey	397	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	4	...	46	45	1	...
Hominy, Buncombe	491	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	45	43	2	...
John A. Nichols, Buncombe	650	1	1	1	4	5	...	3	1	3	...	82	85	...	3
West Asheville, Buncombe	665	2	2	3	...	2	...	4	1	1	...	95	94	1	...
		12	13	15	23	40	...	44	7	22	...	857	862	...	5

40—SPRUCE PINE DISTRICT—Avery, Mitchell, Yancey and part of Watauga Counties

Bakersville, Mitchell	357	1	1	1	1	1	...	2	...	2	...	42	41	1	...
Snow, Watauga	363	3	4	3	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	71	78	...	7
Linville, Avery	489	3	6	6	1	4	...	...	2	...	...	49	58	...	9
Vesper, Mitchell	554	1	1	1	2	1	...	6	1	3	...	59	53	6	...
Cranberry, Avery	598	5	4	4	...	1	...	3	...	...	1	89	91	...	2
		13	16	15	8	7	...	11	3	5	1	310	321	...	11

41—WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—Haywood County

Waynesville, Haywood	259	1	2	1	4	3	...	...	1	6	2	153	154	...	1
Pigeon River, Haywood	386	1	1	1	1	3	...	3	...	1	1	144	145	...	1
Clyde, Haywood	453	2	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	5	...	54	48	6	...
Sonoma, Haywood	472	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	44	...	1
		5	5	4	5	6	...	4	2	12	3	394	391	3	...

42—SYLVA DISTRICT—Jackson, Macon and Swain Counties

Junaluskee, Macon	145	1	1	1	...	3	...	1	...	...	1	82	85	...	3
Unaka, Jackson	268	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	64	63	1	...
East La Porte, Jackson	358	1	1	1	...	...	...	4	2	...	...	58	53	5	...
Oconee, Swain	427	3	3	3	1	2	...	9	1	...	...	102	98	4	...
Blue Ridge, Macon	435	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	38	37	1	...
Dillsboro, Jackson	459	3	3	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	35	38	...	3
Glenville, Jackson	551	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	26	26	...	...
		8	8	9	2	6	...	15	5	2	2	405	400	5	...

43—MURPHY DISTRICT—Cherokee, Clay, and Graham Counties

Cherokee, Cherokee	146	4	3	3	...	3	...	...	...	2	...	71	75	...	4
Clay, Clay	301	5	6	5	...	6	...	...	1	...	...	63	73	...	10
Montgomery, Cherokee	426	8	5	4	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	40	43	...	3
Marble Spring, Cherokee	439	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	34	33	1	...
Unaka, Cherokee	506	31	29	30	1	...	...	1	3	1	...	65	91	...	26
Andrews, Cherokee	529	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	74	74	...	...
Robbinsville, Graham	672	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32	34	...	2
		50	46	45	2	9	...	3	6	3	...	379	423	...	44

44—RUTHERFORDTON DISTRICT—McDowell and Rutherford Counties

Western Star, Rutherford	91	...	...	...	2	3	...	1	3	2	...	65	64	1	...
Mystic Tie, McDowell	237	2	2	3	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	141	143	...	2
Forest City, Rutherford	381	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	1	...	67	60	7	...
Joppa, McDowell	401	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	46	46	...	...
Cliffside, Rutherford	460	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	...	33	30	3	...
Hollis, Rutherford	535	1	23	22	1	...
Spindale, Rutherford	673	7	6	6	1	27	34	...	7
		9	8	9	5	4	...	4	9	8	...	402	399	3	...

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34—JEFFERSON DISTRICT—Alleghany and Ashe Counties

Name of Lodge and County	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
* Elk, Ashe	373	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	18	14	4	...
Sparta, Alleghany	423	3	3	3	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	48	50	...	2
Piney Creek, Alleghany	432	1	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	34	35	...	1
Helton, Ashe	594	1	1	1	1	...	...	2	1	...	...	34	33	1	...
Ashe, Ashe	671	2	1	1	6	...	...	...	...	2	...	39	44	...	5
		7	8	7	7	1	...	6	1	5	...	173	176	...	3

Snow Lodge, No. 363, changed to 40th District.

* Elk Lodge, No. 373, and Ashler Lodge, No. 451, Consolidated March 22, 1940 as Ashler Lodge, No. 373, as Deep Gap (33rd District).

35th DISTRICT Eliminated

36—HICKORY DISTRICT—Burke, Caldwell and Catawba Counties

Catawba Valley, Burke	217	2	2	3	4	1	...	2	1	1	1	97	101	...	4
Catawba, Catawba	248	1	1	1	1	...	...	3	2	2	...	97	92	5	...
Hibriten, Caldwell	262	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	3	...	...	201	199	2	...
Hickory, Catawba	343	4	4	4	5	...	1	...	2	2	1	164	168	...	4
Shawnee, Catawba	382	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	24	...	...
* Blowing Rock, Watauga	458	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	31	30	1	...
Cookville, Catawba	502	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	30	27	3	...
Maiden, Catawba	592	4	3	5	...	1	...	2	1	...	...	59	62	...	3
Riverside, Catawba	606	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	1	...	57	56	1	...
Lovelady, Burke	670	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	52	52	...	...
		12	10	13	14	3	1	10	10	10	2	812	811	1	...

* Charter Blowing Rock Lodge, No. 458, arrested Feb. 5, 1940.

37—SHELBY DISTRICT—Cleveland County

Cleveland, Cleveland	202	13	12	12	1	1	...	...	...	3	...	186	197	...	11
Fair View, Cleveland	339	...	1	1	...	...	...	4	1	1	...	76	71	5	...
Fallston, Cleveland	356	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	29	31	...	2
State Line, Cleveland	375	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	43	...	...
Mooreboro, Cleveland	388	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	1	2	...	77	76	1	...
Lawndale, Cleveland	486	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	61	59	2	...
Camp Call, Cleveland	534	1	1	...	...	1	...	3	1	...	...	62	59	3	...
Casar, Cleveland	579	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	23	24	...	1
		18	18	17	1	5	...	8	4	8	...	557	560	...	3

38—HENDERSONVILLE DISTRICT—Henderson, Polk and Transylvania Counties and part of Buncombe

Dunn's Rock, Transylvania	267	3	4	3	1	1	...	...	2	2	1	124	125	...	1
Kedron, Henderson	387	4	2	3	3	...	...	5	...	2	...	128	127	1	...
Biltmore, Buncombe	446	2	2	2	...	1	...	10	6	3	...	113	97	16	...
Saluda, Polk	482	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34	34	...	...
Swannanoa, Buncombe	561	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	39	40	...	1
Jeff L. Nelson, Polk	605	4	2	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	59	58	1	...
Black Mountain, Buncombe	663	1	1	1	2	3	...	...	...	3	...	55	58	...	3
		16	12	12	7	5	...	15	12	10	1	552	539	13	...

TIMES OF MEETING OF SUBORDINATE LODGES ARRANGED BY DISTRICTS

1—ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT—Camden, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Pasquotank and Perquimans Counties

NO.	LODGE	COUNTY	TIME OF MEETING
53	Hall.....	Currituck.....	First Saturday
75	Widow's Son.....	Camden.....	Third Friday
106	Perquimans.....	Perquimans.....	Every Tuesday
126	Gatesville.....	Gates.....	First and Third Thursday
314	New Lebanon.....	Camden.....	First Friday
317	Eureka.....	Pasquotank.....	Every Tuesday
463	Currituck.....	Currituck.....	Second Monday
521	Wanchese.....	Dare.....	First and Third Thursday

2—WINDSOR DISTRICT—Bertie, Chowan, and part of Hertford and Martin Counties

5	Charity.....	Bertie.....	First and Third Monday
7	Unanimity.....	Chowan.....	Every Thursday
39	Davie.....	Bertie.....	First Thursday
90	Skewarkee.....	Martin.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
171	Colerain.....	Bertie.....	Friday before 2nd and 4th Sunday
240	Wiccacon.....	Hertford.....	Thurs. before 2nd and 4th Sunday
399	Conoho.....	Martin.....	First Tuesday
504	Luke McGlaughan.....	Hertford.....	First Thursday
516	Aulander.....	Bertie.....	First Friday

3—PLYMOUTH DISTRICT—Beaufort, Hyde, and Washington Counties

59	Perseverance.....	Washington.....	Every Tuesday
104	Orr.....	Beaufort.....	First and Third Tuesday
294	Atlantic.....	Hyde.....	First and Third Thursday
300	Aurora.....	Beaufort.....	Second and Fourth Monday
328	Mattamuskeet.....	Hyde.....	Second and Fourth Wednesday
509	Belhaven.....	Beaufort.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
520	Fairfield.....	Hyde.....	First and Third Tuesday
638	Richland.....	Beaufort.....	Thurs. before 2nd and 4th Sunday

4—HALIFAX DISTRICT—Halifax and Northampton Counties and part of Hertford County

2	Royal White Hart.....	Halifax.....	First and Third Wednesday
17	American George.....	Hertford.....	First and Third Tuesday
56	King Solomon.....	Northampton.....	First Tuesday
203	Roanoke.....	Halifax.....	First Tuesday
378	Seaboard.....	Northampton.....	First Monday
418	Potecasi.....	Northampton.....	Friday at 7:30 before 2nd Sunday and Saturday at 2:30 before 4th Sunday
447	Enfield.....	Halifax.....	First and Third Monday
488	Rich Square.....	Northampton.....	Second Thursday
519	Widow's Son.....	Halifax.....	Second and Fourth Thursday
524	Pendleton.....	Northampton.....	Second Tuesday

5—GREENVILLE DISTRICT—Pitt County and part of Martin

243	Grifton.....	Pitt.....	First Wednesday
284	Greenville.....	Pitt.....	First and Third Monday
296	Stonewall.....	Martin.....	First and Third Monday
475	Grimesland.....	Pitt.....	First and Third Tuesday
498	Ayden.....	Pitt.....	Third Tuesday
517	Farmville.....	Pitt.....	Second Thursday 11:00 A. M. and Fourth Thursday 7:30 P. M.
589	Bethel.....	Pitt.....	First Monday Third Thursday

6—KINSTON DISTRICT—Greene, Lenoir and Wayne Counties and part of Johnston County

4	St. John's.....	Lenoir.....	Second and Fourth Monday
95	Jerusalem.....	Greene.....	Second Tuesday
112	Wayne.....	Wayne.....	First and Third Monday
132	Radiance.....	Greene.....	First Friday at 11:00 A. M.

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RECAPITULATION OF ABSTRACT OF RETURNS FROM SUBORDINATE LODGES

For Year Ending December 31, 1939, by Districts

DISTRICT	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Expelled	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Rejected	Membership Previous Year	Present Membership	Decrease	Increase
1 Elizabeth City-----	31	33	37	7	8	1	22	6	15	4	619	628	---	9
2 Windsor-----	12	14	15	1	3	1	12	3	6	2	458	455	3	---
3 Plymouth-----	16	11	14	4	2	---	21	5	3	3	551	542	9	---
4 Halifax-----	13	14	14	15	1	---	13	4	8	2	604	609	---	5
5 Greenville-----	20	21	22	10	3	1	9	6	7	4	541	553	---	12
6 Kinston-----	19	15	16	10	11	---	20	15	9	5	699	692	7	---
7 New Bern-----	37	41	38	15	13	1	8	7	6	5	838	882	---	44
9 Clinton-----	10	8	10	5	4	---	26	12	10	6	603	574	29	---
10 Wilmington-----	27	26	24	19	8	1	17	21	33	6	1307	1286	21	---
11 Lumberton-----	16	12	11	3	4	---	14	11	12	---	482	463	19	---
12 Rockingham-----	19	16	14	13	10	---	6	10	12	2	563	572	---	9
13 Sanford-----	16	16	16	10	3	---	8	6	11	2	600	604	---	4
14 Fayetteville-----	31	28	27	14	4	1	10	6	19	3	647	656	---	9
15 Raleigh-----	9	10	10	10	4	1	6	7	16	1	761	755	6	---
16 Apex-----	10	13	12	8	3	---	3	3	15	2	688	690	---	2
17 Wilson-----	11	14	14	4	1	---	35	9	16	---	556	515	41	---
18 Rocky Mount-----	7	8	8	8	11	---	9	7	15	---	496	492	4	---
19 Henderson-----	12	6	6	4	5	---	24	4	5	2	456	438	18	---
20 Oxford-----	9	10	9	2	1	---	5	5	5	---	376	373	3	---
21 Durham-----	33	31	32	17	13	---	22	21	19	3	1268	1268	---	---
23 Greensboro-----	47	52	51	16	47	---	35	27	21	5	1817	1848	---	31
24 Asheboro-----	7	8	9	8	2	---	15	4	2	---	334	332	2	---
25 Salisbury-----	60	58	59	12	6	---	28	13	29	6	1618	1655	---	7
26 Monroe-----	12	9	8	11	9	---	7	5	11	1	386	391	---	5
27 Charlotte-----	37	34	37	41	21	---	37	18	22	2	1476	1498	---	22
28 Gastonia-----	36	31	26	9	12	---	11	10	12	6	933	947	---	14
29 Statesville-----	15	16	15	5	9	---	16	12	9	1	517	509	8	---
30 Winston-Salem-----	20	24	25	10	2	1	18	9	17	---	975	967	8	---
31 Ekin-----	15	18	16	11	5	---	1	7	7	1	403	420	---	17
33 Wilkesboro-----	5	4	5	1	1	---	26	5	5	---	308	279	29	---
34 Jefferson-----	7	8	7	7	1	---	6	1	5	---	173	176	---	3
36 Hickory-----	12	10	13	14	3	1	10	10	10	2	812	811	1	---
37 Shelby-----	18	18	17	1	5	---	8	4	8	---	557	560	---	3
38 Hendersonville-----	16	12	12	7	5	---	15	12	10	1	552	539	13	---
39 Asheville-----	12	13	15	23	40	---	44	7	22	---	857	862	---	5
40 Spruce Pine-----	13	16	15	8	7	---	11	3	5	1	310	321	---	11
41 Waverly-----	5	5	4	5	6	---	4	2	12	3	394	391	3	---
42 Sylva-----	8	8	9	2	6	---	15	5	2	2	405	400	5	---
43 Murphy-----	50	46	45	2	9	---	3	6	3	---	379	423	---	44
44 Rutherfordton-----	9	8	9	5	4	---	4	9	8	---	402	399	3	---
Totals for State-----	762	745	746	377	312	8	604	337	462	83	26731	26755	---	24

Times of Meeting of Subordinate Lodges (Continued)

12—ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT—Hoke, Richmond and Scotland Counties and part of Moore County

NO.	LODGE	COUNTY	TIME OF MEETING
305	Laurinburg.....	Scotland.....	First Tuesday
306	Raeford.....	Hoke.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
484	Southern Pines.....	Moore.....	First and Third Monday
495	Rockingham.....	Richmond.....	First and Third Monday
532	Hamlet.....	Richmond.....	Second and Fourth Friday
550	Roman Eagle.....	Moore.....	First and Third Thursday
654	Elberta.....	Moore.....	First and Third Tuesday

13—SANFORD DISTRICT—Chatham and Lee Counties and part of Moore County

102	Columbus.....	Chatham.....	First and Third Tuesday
143	Mount Vernon.....	Chatham.....	Saturday before 2nd Sunday and Thursday before 4th Sunday
151	Sanford.....	Lee.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
172	Buffalo.....	Lee.....	First and Third Monday
181	Carthage.....	Moore.....	First and Third Tuesday
403	Siler City.....	Chatham.....	Friday before 1st and 3rd Sunday
465	Gulf.....	Chatham.....	Thursday before Third Sunday
555	Elise.....	Moore.....	First and Third Tuesday

14—FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT—Cumberland and Harnett Counties and part of Johnston County

8	Phoenix.....	Cumberland.....	Second Friday
84	Fellowship.....	Johnston.....	First and Third Thursday
147	Palmyra.....	Harnett.....	First and Third Tuesday
302	Lillington.....	Harnett.....	Every Monday
391	Lebanon.....	Cumberland.....	First and Third Wednesday
431	Relief.....	Johnston.....	First Friday
556	Neill S. Stewart.....	Harnett.....	Second and Fourth Friday
667	Fort Bragg.....	Cumberland.....	First Tuesday

15—RALEIGH DISTRICT—Part of Wake County, and part of Johnston County

40	Hiram.....	Wake.....	First and Third Monday
97	Neuse.....	Wake.....	Tuesday after 1st and 3rd Sunday
155	White Stone.....	Wake.....	Fourth Saturday 12 M.
156	Rolesville.....	Wake.....	1st Saturday 2:00 P. M. and Sat. before 3rd Sunday 8:00 P. M.
165	Archer.....	Johnston.....	First Saturday 1:00 P. M.
191	Granite.....	Johnston.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
282	Wake Forest.....	Wake.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
500	Raleigh.....	Wake.....	First and Third Friday
565	Wendell.....	Wake.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
609	Zebulon.....	Wake.....	First Tuesday

16—APEX DISTRICT—Part of Wake County and part of Chatham County

115	Holly Springs.....	Wake.....	Tuesday after Second Sunday
174	George Washington.....	Chatham.....	Sat. before 4th Sunday 1:30 P. M.
198	Cary.....	Wake.....	First and Third Monday
218	Wm. G. Hill.....	Wake.....	Second and Fourth Monday
231	Wm. T. Bain.....	Wake.....	Wednesday after Third Sunday
258	Fuquay.....	Wake.....	Tuesday after 1st and 3rd Sunday
277	Green Level.....	Wake.....	Saturday before First Sunday
584	Apex.....	Wake.....	Mon. after 2nd and 4th Sunday

17—WILSON DISTRICT—Wilson County and parts of Nash and Johnston Counties

92	Joseph Warren.....	Wilson.....	1st Thursday 11:00 A. M. and 3rd Monday 7:30 P. M.
117	Mount Lebanon.....	Wilson.....	First and Third Monday
257	Kenly.....	Johnston.....	Tuesday after Second Sunday
320	Selma.....	Johnston.....	First and Third Tuesday

Times of Meeting of Subordinate Lodges (Continued)

**6—KINSTON DISTRICT—Greene, Lenoir and Wayne Counties
and part of Johnston County (Continued)**

NO.	LODGE	COUNTY	TIME OF MEETING
208	Mount Olive.....	Wayne.....	First and Third Tuesday
233	Lenoir.....	Lenoir.....	First and Third Thursday
304	Pleasant Hill.....	Lenoir.....	Second Thursday 2:30 P. M.
340	Harmony.....	Wayne.....	First and Third Thursday
613	Home.....	Wayne.....	Second Monday
617	St. Patrick.....	Johnston.....	First and Third Wednesday
634	Goldshoro.....	Wayne.....	Second and Fourth Monday

7—NEW BERN DISTRICT—Carteret, Craven and Pamlico Counties

3	St. John's.....	Craven.....	Second and Fourth Wednesday
81	Zion.....	Jones.....	Third Thursday
109	Franklin.....	Carteret.....	First and Third Monday
331	Bayboro.....	Pamlico.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
359	Mount Vernon.....	Pamlico.....	First and Third Friday
405	Ocean.....	Carteret.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
433	Vanceboro.....	Craven.....	Second and Fourth Wednesday
479	Rainbow.....	Pamlico.....	Fourth Wednesday
564	Richlands.....	Onslow.....	First Thursday
568	Doric.....	Craven.....	Second and Fourth Friday Wednesday after 3rd Saturday
583	Ionic.....	Craven.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday

9—CLINTON DISTRICT—Duplin and Sampson Counties

13	St. John's.....	Duplin.....	First and Third Thursday
98	Hiram.....	Sampson.....	First and Third Tuesday
125	Mill Creek.....	Sampson.....	First Friday and Thursday before 3rd Sunday
206	Mingo.....	Sampson.....	1st Saturday 10:00 A. M. and 3rd Thursday 7:30 P. M.
279	Rehoboth.....	Duplin.....	Friday night before 2nd Sunday
379	Coharie.....	Sampson.....	Second and Fourth Friday
585	Roseboro.....	Sampson.....	First and Third Thursday
595	Wallace.....	Duplin.....	Monday after 1st and 3rd Sunday
658	Beulaville.....	Duplin.....	First and Third Tuesday
664	Garland.....	Sampson.....	Second Monday

**10—WILMINGTON DISTRICT—Brunswick, Columbus, New Hanover
and Pender Counties**

1	St. John's.....	New Hanover.....	Second Tuesday
83	LaFayette.....	Onslow.....	Wednesday after 1st Monday and Wednesday after Third Saturday
138	King Solomon.....	Pender.....	Second Friday
190	Fair Bluff.....	Columbus.....	Second and Fourth Thursday
207	Lebanon.....	Columbus.....	First and Third Friday
249	Pythagoras.....	Brunswick.....	Third Tuesday
319	Wilmington.....	New Hanover.....	Third Tuesday
395	Orient.....	New Hanover.....	First Thursday
429	Seaside.....	Onslow.....	Third Saturday
563	Tabor.....	Columbus.....	Tuesday before Third Sunday
596	Waccamaw.....	Columbus.....	Second Wednesday
607	Chadbourne.....	Columbus.....	Third Tuesday
612	Atkinson.....	Pender.....	Second Monday

11—LUMBERTON DISTRICT—Bladen and Robeson Counties

114	St. Alban's.....	Robeson.....	First Tuesday
335	Rowland.....	Robeson.....	Second and Fourth Thursday
417	Maxton.....	Robeson.....	First Monday
474	St. Paul's.....	Robeson.....	First Tuesday
501	Red Springs.....	Robeson.....	Second and Fourth Thursday
528	Fairmont.....	Robeson.....	First Monday
541	Parkton.....	Robeson.....	First and Third Thursday
643	Proctorville.....	Robeson.....	Second Monday
646	Bladen.....	Bladen.....	First Monday

Times of Meeting of Subordinate Lodges (Continued)

24—ASHEBORO DISTRICT—Montgomery and Randolph Counties

NO.	LODGE	COUNTY	TIME OF MEETING
127	Blackmer.....	Montgomery....	First Tuesday
128	Hanks.....	Randolph.....	Third Saturday
188	Balfour.....	Randolph.....	First and Third Monday
209	Randleman.....	Randolph.....	Monday after 1st and 3rd Sunday
437	Biscoe.....	Montgomery....	Second and last Friday
444	Marietta.....	Randolph.....	First Saturday

25—SALISBURY DISTRICT—Cabarrus, Rowan and Stanly Counties

32	Stokes.....	Cabarrus.....	First Monday
99	Fulton.....	Rowan.....	Every Friday
150	Pee Dee.....	Stanly.....	First and Third Thursday
154	Scotch-Ireland.....	Rowan.....	Fri. before 2nd and 4th Sunday
283	Eureka.....	Rowan.....	First and Third Monday
348	Stanly.....	Stanly.....	First and Third Friday
543	Spencer.....	Rowan.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
576	Andrew Jackson.....	Rowan.....	Each Thursday
618	Union.....	Cabarrus.....	Saturday before 2nd Sunday
626	Cannon Memorial.....	Cabarrus.....	First and Third Tuesday
637	Yadkin Falls.....	Stanly.....	First and Third Monday
657	Keller Memorial.....	Rowan.....	Second and Fourth Monday

26—MONROE DISTRICT—Anson and Union Counties

64	Kilwinning.....	Anson.....	Second and Fourth Thursday
244	Monroe.....	Union.....	First and Third Thursday
276	Beaver Dam.....	Union.....	Tuesday before First Sunday
562	Waxhaw.....	Union.....	First Tuesday
578	Meadow Branch.....	Union.....	Fourth Friday
666	N. C. Lodge Research.....	Union.....	Every Tuesday

27—CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—Mecklenburg County

31	Phalanx.....	Mecklenburg.....	Every Tuesday
176	Mecklenburg.....	Mecklenburg.....	First and Third Tuesday
205	Long Creek.....	Mecklenburg.....	Fourth Saturday
261	Excelsior.....	Mecklenburg.....	First and Third Monday
366	Craighead.....	Mecklenburg.....	First and Third Friday
461	Matthews.....	Mecklenburg.....	Second and Fourth Thursday
530	Joppa.....	Mecklenburg.....	First Friday
538	Williams.....	Mecklenburg.....	Second and Fourth Friday

28—GASTONIA DISTRICT—Gaston and Lincoln Counties

137	Lincoln.....	Lincoln.....	First Monday
263	Gaston.....	Gaston.....	Second Monday
341	Rock Springs.....	Lincoln.....	First and Third Monday
369	Gastonia.....	Gaston.....	Second Friday
462	South Fork.....	Gaston.....	Second and Fourth Friday
505	Cherryville.....	Gaston.....	First Monday
515	Whetstone.....	Gaston.....	Fourth Tuesday
544	Mount Holly.....	Gaston.....	First and Third Monday
590	Lowell.....	Gaston.....	First and Third Friday
627	Belmont.....	Gaston.....	Second and Fourth Monday
668	Holland Memorial.....	Gaston.....	Second Thursday

29—STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Alexander and Iredell Counties

27	Statesville.....	Iredell.....	First and Third Tuesday
226	Wilson.....	Iredell.....	Saturday on or before full moon
253	Lee.....	Alexander.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
299	Hunting Creek.....	Iredell.....	Saturday before 4th Sunday 2:30 P. M.
374	Campbell.....	Iredell.....	Second and Fourth Wednesday
471	Grassy Knob.....	Iredell.....	Friday before Fourth Sunday
496	Mooresville.....	Iredell.....	Each Tuesday
571	Snow Creek.....	Iredell.....	First and Third Saturday
593	Stony Point.....	Alexander.....	First and Third Thursday
651	Harmony.....	Iredell.....	Saturday before Second Sunday

Times of Meeting of Subordinate Lodges (Continued)

17—WILSON DISTRICT—Wilson County and parts of Nash and Johnston Counties (Continued)

NO.	LODGE	COUNTY	TIME OF MEETING
411	Bailey.....	Nash.....	Second and Fourth Monday
525	Rodgers.....	Nash.....	2nd Saturday 10:30 A. M. and 4th Monday night
527	Lucama.....	Wilson.....	Saturday before 2nd Sunday and Thursday before 4th Sunday
569	Mount Pleasant.....	Nash.....	Fourth Saturday 2:30 P. M.

18—ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT—Edgecombe County and part of Nash County

58	Concord.....	Edgecombe.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
85	Morning Star.....	Nash.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
187	Central Cross.....	Nash.....	Second Saturday 2:00 P. M.
230	Corinthian.....	Nash.....	Second and Fourth Thursday
481	Spring Hope.....	Nash.....	First Friday
602	Queen City.....	Nash.....	First and Third Thursday

19—HENDERSON DISTRICT—Franklin, Warren and part of Vance County

10	Johnston-Caswell.....	Warren.....	First and Third Monday
123	Franklinton.....	Franklin.....	First and Third Tuesday
229	Henderson.....	Vance.....	First and Third Tuesday
377	Youngsville.....	Franklin.....	Friday before 1st and 3rd Sunday
413	Louisburg.....	Franklin.....	First and Third Tuesday
497	Royal Hart.....	Warren.....	Second and Fourth Monday
624	J. H. Mills.....	Vance.....	Saturday at 2:30 before 2nd Sun. and Saturday at 7:30 before 4th Sunday
630	Francis S. Packard..	Warren.....	Second and Fourth Thursday

20—OXFORD DISTRICT—Granville and Person Counties and part of Vance

113	Person.....	Person.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
122	Oxford.....	Granville.....	First and Third Monday
149	Adoniram.....	Granville.....	Saturday before Fourth Sunday at 2:30
380	Granville.....	Granville.....	Fourth Saturday 2:00 P. M.
393	Tally Ho.....	Granville.....	First Saturday 3:00 P. M. and Second Monday night
412	Henry F. Grainger.....	Vance.....	Saturday before 2nd Sunday
499	Creedmoor.....	Granville.....	Mon after 2nd and 4th Sunday

21—DURHAM DISTRICT—Alamance, Durham, Orange and Caswell Counties

11	Caswell Brotherhood..	Caswell.....	First and Third Monday
19	Eagle.....	Orange.....	Second and Fourth Friday
158	Knap of Reeds.....	Durham.....	Wednesday after Third Sunday
210	Eno.....	Durham.....	First and Third Tuesday
272	Bingham.....	Alamance.....	Monday after Third Sunday
352	Durham.....	Durham.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
408	University.....	Orange.....	First and Third Monday
409	Bula.....	Alamance.....	Second and Fourth Monday
492	Thos. M. Holt.....	Alamance.....	First Friday and Third Saturday
549	Elon.....	Alamance.....	Third Wednesday

23—GREENSBORO DISTRICT—Davidson, Guilford, Rockingham Counties

76	Greensboro.....	Guilford.....	Second and Fourth Thursday
129	Dan River.....	Rockingham.....	First and Third Tuesday
136	Leaksville.....	Rockingham.....	First and Third Monday
214	Thomasville.....	Davidson.....	First and Third Friday
271	Tobasco.....	Guilford.....	Second Saturday
344	Numa F. Reid.....	Guilford.....	Second Monday
384	Reidsville.....	Rockingham.....	First and Third Friday
404	Denton.....	Davidson.....	First Friday
428	Stokesdale.....	Guilford.....	First and Third Tuesday
473	Lexington.....	Davidson.....	Second and Fourth Friday
542	Corinthian.....	Guilford.....	Second and Fourth Monday
552	Revolution.....	Guilford.....	First and Third Wednesday
656	Guilford.....	Guilford.....	First and Third Monday

Times of Meeting of Subordinate Lodges (Continued)

38—HENDERSONVILLE DISTRICT—Henderson, Polk and Transylvania Counties and part of Buncombe

NO.	LODGE	COUNTY	TIME OF MEETING
267	Dunn's Rock.....	Transylvania...	Second and Fourth Friday
387	Kedron.....	Henderson.....	Third Thursday
446	Blitmore.....	Buncombe.....	Each Tuesday
482	Saluda.....	Polk.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
561	Swannanoa.....	Buncombe.....	First Thursday
605	Jeff L. Nelson.....	Polk.....	Second and Fourth Monday
663	Black Mountain.....	Buncombe.....	First Friday

39—ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—Madison County and part of Buncombe

118	Mount Hermon.....	Buncombe.....	First Thursday
170	Blackmer.....	Buncombe.....	First and Third Tuesday
292	French Broad.....	Madison.....	First Monday
293	Vance.....	Buncombe.....	Saturday on or before full moon
392	White Rock.....	Madison.....	Saturday on or before full moon May to Nov 1:00 P. M. Nov. to May 10:00 A. M.
397	Bald Creek.....	Yancey.....	Saturday after full moon
491	Hominy.....	Buncombe.....	First Wednesday
650	John A. Nichols.....	Buncombe.....	Second Thursday
665	West Asheville.....	Buncombe.....	First Monday

40—SPRUCE PINE DISTRICT—Avery, Mitchell and Yancey Counties

357	Bakersville.....	Mitchell.....	Saturday before First Monday and Third Saturday
363	Snow.....	Watauga.....	First Friday
489	Linville.....	Avery.....	Second and Fourth Thursday
554	Vesper.....	Mitchell.....	First and Third Thursday
598	Cranberry.....	Avery.....	First and Third Tuesday

41—WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—Haywood County

259	Waynesville.....	Haywood.....	First Friday
386	Pigeon River.....	Haywood.....	Second Thursday
453	Clyde.....	Haywood.....	Second Tuesday
472	Sonoma.....	Haywood.....	First Thursday

42—SYLVA DISTRICT—Jackson, Macon and Swain Counties

145	Junaluskee.....	Macon.....	First and Third Tuesday
268	Unaka.....	Jackson.....	Second and Fourth Monday
358	East LaPort.....	Jackson.....	First and Third Saturday
427	Oconee.....	Swain.....	First and Third Monday
435	Blue Ridge.....	Macon.....	First and Third Friday
459	Dillsboro.....	Jackson.....	First and Third Thursday
551	Glenville.....	Jackson.....	Saturday on or before full moon 2:00 P. M.

43—MURPHY DISTRICT—Cherokee and Clay Counties

146	Cherokee.....	Cherokee.....	First Monday
301	Clay.....	Clay.....	Saturday on or before full moon
426	Montgomery.....	Cherokee.....	Second Saturday 1:30 P. M.
439	Marble.....	Cherokee.....	Saturday on or before full moon
506	Unaka.....	Cherokee.....	Saturday before full moon
529	Andrews.....	Cherokee.....	First Monday
672	Robbinsville.....	Graham.....	First Tuesday

44—RUTHERFORDTON DISTRICT—McDowell and Rutherford Counties

91	Western Star.....	Rutherfordton.....	First and Third Tuesday after First Monday
237	Mystic Tie.....	McDowell.....	First and Third Friday
381	Forest City.....	Rutherford.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
401	Joppa.....	McDowell.....	Second and Fourth Friday
460	Cliffside.....	Rutherford.....	Mon. after 2nd and 4th Sunday
535	Hollis.....	Rutherford.....	Saturday before 4th Sunday
673	Spindale.....	Rutherford.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday

Times of Meeting of Subordinate Lodges (Continued)

30—WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT—Davie, Forsyth, Stokes and Yadkin Counties

NO.	LODGE	COUNTY	TIME OF MEETING
134	Mocksville.....	Davie.....	First and Third Friday
162	Yadkin.....	Yadkin.....	First and Third Monday
167	Winston.....	Forsyth.....	Second Monday
265	Farmington.....	Davie.....	First Tuesday
289	Salem.....	Forsyth.....	First Tuesday
420	Harmon.....	Yadkin.....	First Saturday
434	West Bend.....	Forsyth.....	First and Third Friday
629	Walnut Cove.....	Stokes.....	First and Third Wednesday
669	Kernersville.....	Forsyth.....	First Monday

31—ELKIN DISTRICT—Surry County

322	Granite.....	Surry.....	Third Tuesday
390	Copeland.....	Surry.....	Second Thursday
454	Elkin.....	Surry.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday
493	Pilot.....	Surry.....	First and Third Friday
558	Ararat.....	Surry.....	Second and Fourth Saturday 2:00 P. M.
616	Round Peak.....	Surry.....	Saturday on or before full moon

33—WILKESBORO DISTRICT—Wilkes County and part of Watauga County

45	Liberty.....	Wilkes.....	First and Third Thursday
407	North Wilkesboro.....	Wilkes.....	Second and Fourth Friday
373	Ashler.....	Watauga.....	First Friday
483	Trap Hill.....	Wilkes.....	Fourth Thursday
560	Sulphur Springs.....	Wilkes.....	First Saturday
566	Ronda.....	Wilkes.....	Tuesday before Third Sunday
573	Mount Pleasant.....	Wilkes.....	Third Saturday

34—JEFFERSON DISTRICT—Alleghany, Ashe and part of Watauga County

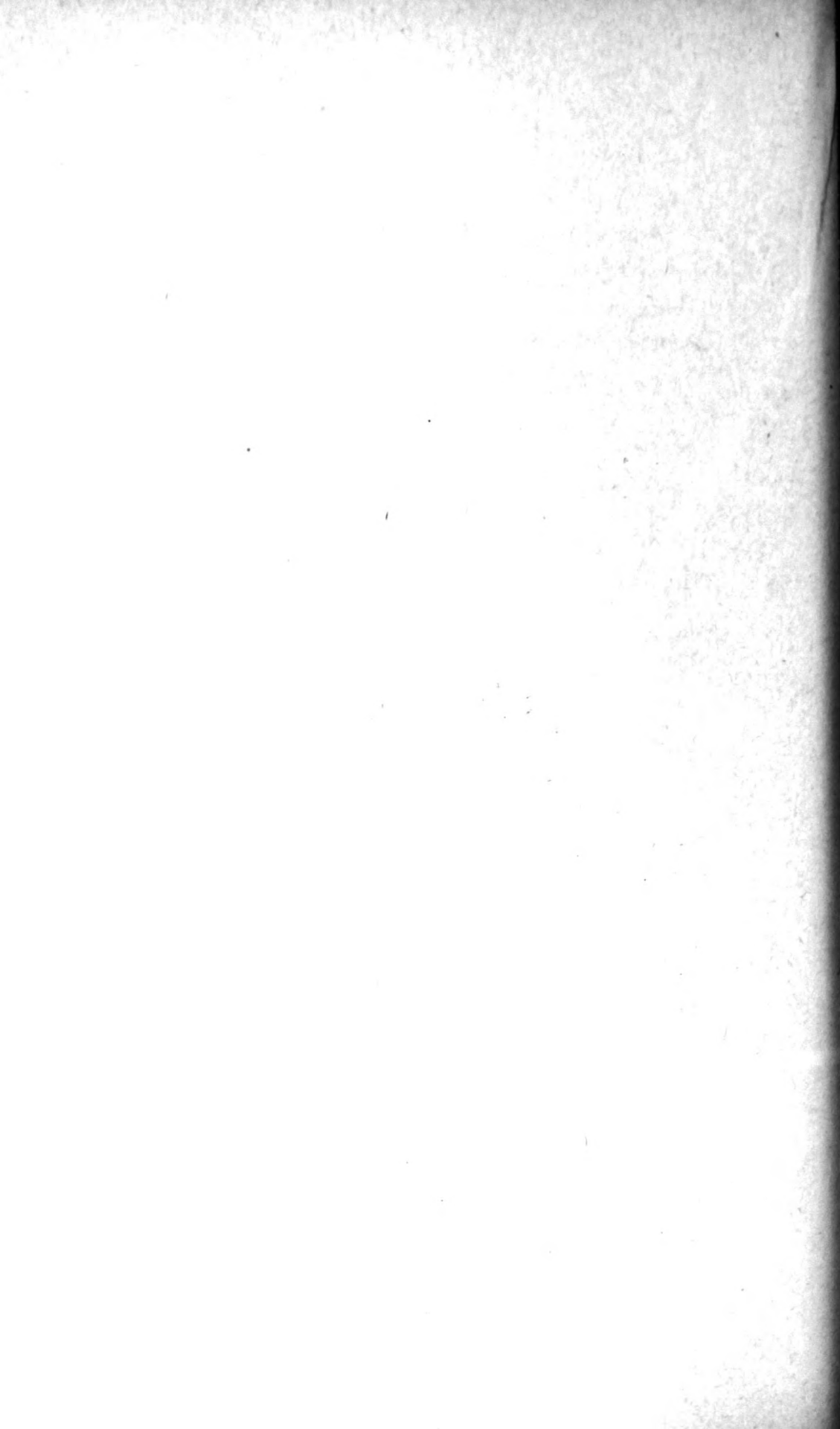
423	Sparta.....	Alleghany.....	First Thursday night and Third Saturday afternoon
432	Piney Creek.....	Alleghany.....	2nd and 4th Saturday 10:00 A. M.
594	Helton.....	Ashe.....	Second and Fourth Friday
671	Ashe.....	Ashe.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday

36—HICKORY DISTRICT—Burke, Caldwell and Catawba Counties and part of Watauga County

217	Catawba Valley.....	Burke.....	Thurs. on or before full moon
248	Catawba.....	Catawba.....	First Friday
262	Hibriten.....	Caldwell.....	First Thursday
343	Hickory.....	Catawba.....	First and Third Monday
382	Shawnee.....	Catawba.....	Thursday before Second Sunday
502	Cookville.....	Catawba.....	Saturday on or after full moon 2:30 P. M.
592	Maiden.....	Catawba.....	Second Monday
606	Riverside.....	Catawba.....	Second Monday
670	Lovelady.....	Burke.....	Second Monday

37—SHELBY DISTRICT—CLEVELAND COUNTY

202	Cleveland.....	Cleveland.....	Fourth Friday
339	Fairview.....	Cleveland.....	First Monday
356	Fallston.....	Cleveland.....	Second Saturday
375	State Line.....	Cleveland.....	Wed. on or before full moon
388	Mooresboro.....	Cleveland.....	Saturday before 4th Sunday
486	Lawndale.....	Cleveland.....	Fourth Friday
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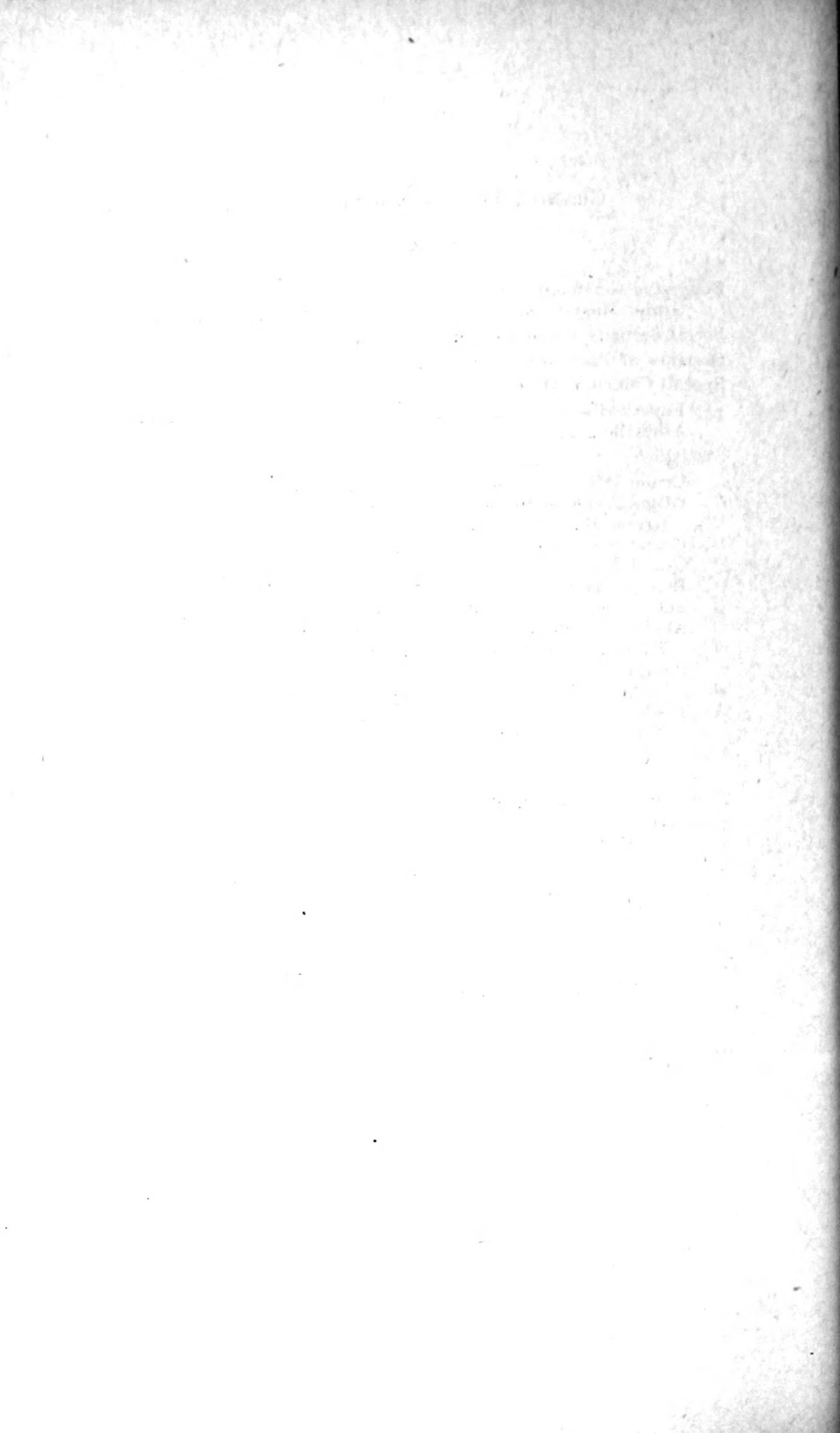
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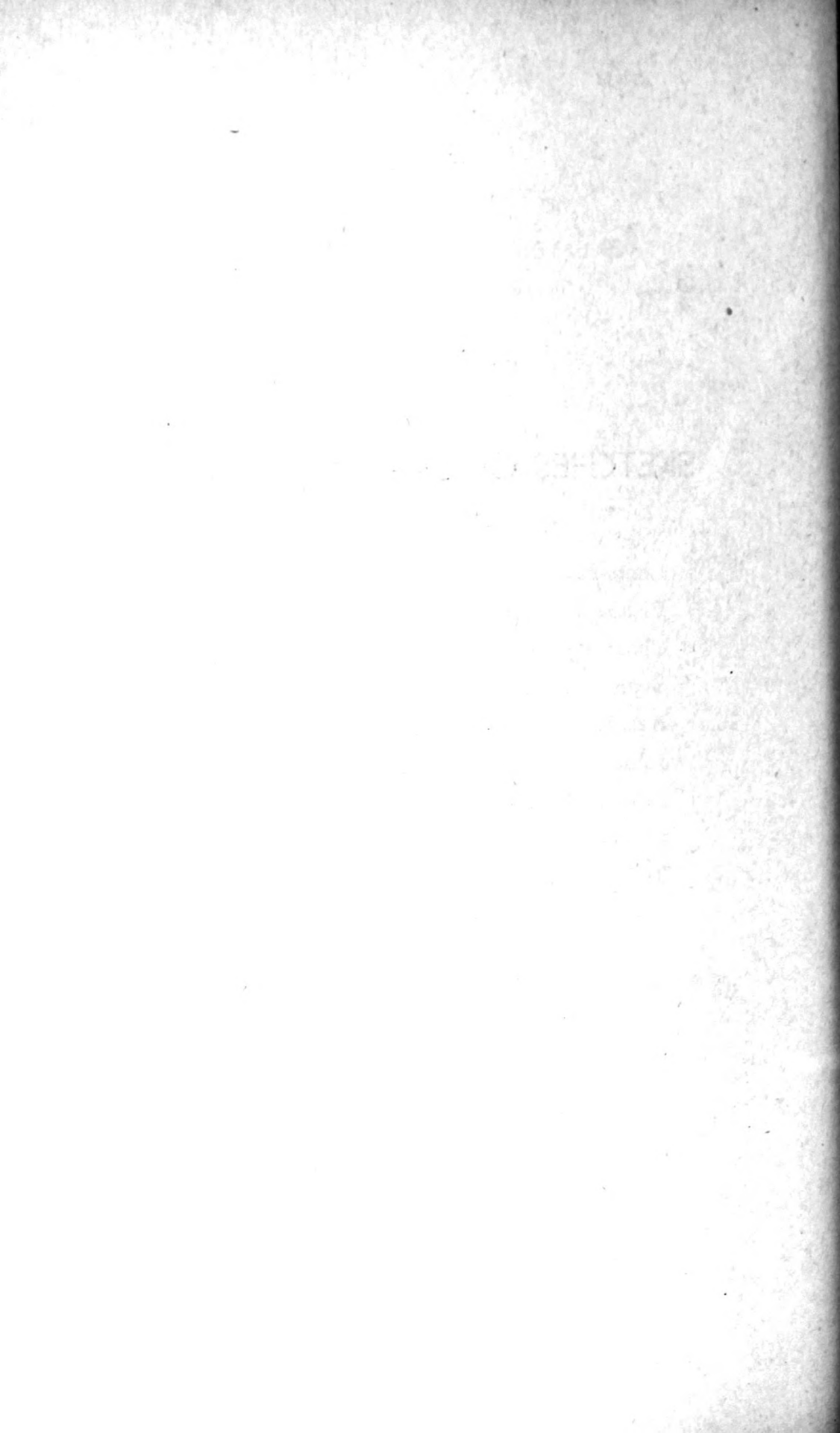
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matter until the newspapers a few years ago began to discuss the discovery of the wireless system, which brought back to my mind the words of this gifted Person County physician.

Dr. Jordan was united in marriage to Mary Anderson Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isham Edwards, of Person County, North Carolina, on December 21, 1826, shortly after he had completed his medical course. His decision to practice his profession in Person County was doubtless largely influenced by a gift of two plantations, located in the County, to Mrs. Jordan from her father. The plantation on which the Jordans settled, located about four miles northwest of Roxboro, was known as the "Jordan Place." They owned a considerable number of slaves.

To this union were born five sons and two daughters, listed here in the order of their ages: Susan Campbell, Edward Church, Donald Edwards, William Isham, Henry Thomas, Lucy Ann, and Matthew Pate. Of the girls, Susan married and moved to Virginia; and Lucy died at the age of five. All of the boys except Matthew attended Hampden Sydney College, and some of them took additional work in other institutions of higher learning. Edward became a lawyer and was slain fighting for the Confederacy; Donald became a Presbyterian minister and settled in South Carolina; William became a physician and was slain while serving as a surgeon for the Confederacy; Henry studied law, served as an officer in the Confederacy, and after the War practiced his profession and became a member of the State Legislature; Matthew settled in Virginia and became a very prominent tobacconist, Mason, and banker.

Brother Jordan died at his plantation home on July 11, 1875. The immediate cause of his death is unknown; but in a letter to one of his sons, dated a month before his death and still preserved, he stated that his health was very bad. His remains were laid to rest in the Edwards family burying ground, girlhood home of his wife, located near Oak Grove Church, about seven miles northwest of Roxboro.

It appears that no record has been left to indicate the lodge which conferred the degrees upon Brother Jordan. Since he came to North Carolina soon after his twenty-first birthday, it is quite probable that he was not a Mason when he left Virginia. His name does not appear in the records of Halifax Hiram Lodge, No. 96, the Virginia lodge which would have held jurisdiction over him, until July 26, 1847, and then only as a visitor from North Carolina. It is, therefore, a reasonably safe assumption that he received the degrees in some lodge in North Carolina. Person Lodge, No. 113, of Roxboro, was not chartered until 1847, and since he was Deputy Grand Master that year, it is quite unlikely that he received the degrees in Person Lodge. It is quite possible that the forerunner of Person Lodge, a lodge operating under dispensation, might have conferred the degrees. It is a re-

CLEMENT HOBSON JORDAN

Twenty-fifth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

By D. S. JOHNSON, D. D. G. M. (122)

Clement Hobson Jordan, son of William and Susannah Pate Jordan, was born in Halifax County, Virginia, on December 13, 1805. He was a direct descendant of Samuel Jordan, who came to this country from England and who landed near Jamestown in 1609, after having been shipwrecked and spending a year on the Bermudas.

Little is known of his preliminary schooling, but it is quite probable that he attended school at South Boston, Virginia, or in some other school located in his native county. During the sessions of 1824-25 and 1825-26 he was enrolled in the Medical School of Transylvania College, receiving his M. D. degree in March, 1826. His inaugural dissertation, preserved in his own handwriting, was on the subject, "A Short Account of an Epidemic Dysentery, in Person County, North Carolina, in 1825."

Dr. Jordan became an outstanding physician, always a step ahead of his profession. During the session of 1839-40 he attended a course of lectures in the School of Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania. He made frequent trips to the larger cities of the East to keep abreast of the latest developments in medicine, and always returned with a big supply of books for himself and his family. He was a splendid type of Southern gentleman, having had the reputation of never sending a bill to any of his patients. He is said to have presented a paper on the "Germ Theory" to the members of a medical society, long before this theory became so well known.

Few records seem to have been preserved relating to Brother Jordan's interest outside of his profession, but it is known that his activities were not confined to the practice of medicine. After the War Between the States had ended and the Confederate soldiers were returning home, he was selected as the officer to administer the oath of allegiance to them. An unusual interest in science is revealed in a paragraph taken from a volume of letters written by one of his contemporaries and later published along with other letters. The paragraph follows:

This writer recalls hearing Dr. C. H. Jordan, late of Person County, speak, some forty years ago, of the possibility of the wireless telegraph, and at that time described how it could be done. His plan to accomplish it was just about the same as is now in use by the Marconi System. Of course he was considered a 'dreamer' and a 'crank'. It would be rash to say that he was the first to think of this wonderful idea. He was a gifted and well educated man and pondered much on the lines of modern invention. I never thought anything more of the

tion to public confidence," which had just prior to that time been noticeably lacking.

During his two terms as Grand Master, Dr. Jordan granted dispensations for the formation of twenty-seven new lodges; and twenty-one lodges received charters. He characterized his second term as a year of greatly increased membership and intense Masonic interest. It was during his second term too that the Grand Lodge approved a resolution preventing the assigning of numbers of dormant lodges to newly organized lodges. This resolution had been presented and urgently supported by the delegates of Phoenix Lodge, No. 8, of Fayetteville. The adoption of that resolution was of far-reaching importance, as the principle of seniority incorporated in it, is still observed in the assigning of numbers to new lodges.

Brother Jordan's efforts in behalf of Masonry were not limited entirely to this grand jurisdiction. On May 24, 1854, he delivered an address on the occasion of the dedication of the temple of Roman Eagle Lodge, No. 122, of Danville, Virginia.

In the death of Dr. Jordan, Masonry in North Carolina lost an ardent supporter and valuable member, and the people of Roxboro and Person County, as well as North Carolina, lost a distinguished and progressive citizen.

corded fact that he was a member of Person Lodge, No. 113, in 1849.

Brother Jordan's name first appears in the records of the Grand Lodge as Deputy Grand Master, an office which he held in 1847, 1848, and 1849. He appears next as Grand Master for two terms, 1853 and 1854. He served on several committees of the Grand Lodge, including the committee on Foreign Correspondence. It is quite likely that he was a Royal Arch Mason, for he stated in one of his addresses that he had appeared before the Grand Chapter in the interest of St. John's College, and that he had enlisted the support of that organization in the interest of founding the College.

As previously stated, Brother Jordan served as Grand Master in 1853 and 1854. He was doubtless in line for a third term, for in a statement to the Grand Lodge at the close of his second term, he insisted that the delegates should not consider him for reelection. At the same time he resigned as a member of the Board of Trustees of St. John's College.

During his first term of office his chief contribution was in the interest of St. John's College. In his annual address he stated that the matter of building a college had been discussed at the past fourteen or fifteen sessions of the Grand Lodge, and that, in his opinion, it was time for a showdown on the issue. He stated that a lot had been obtained, that a number of well educated men were available to teach, and that the time was ripe for the establishment of a great institution whose doors were to be opened without cost primarily to the children of Masons who could not otherwise offer a college education to their children. His zeal for this new enterprise was amply repaid, for the Grand Lodge at that session voted to proceed with the building of the College. The Grand Lodge at that communication also voted to appropriate to the College any surplus in the treasury after other expenses and appropriations had been met. Dr. Jordan also urged the writing of a history of Masonry in North Carolina by some gifted historian.

The second administration of Brother Jordan witnessed the culmination of his dream of the first; namely the beginning of the construction of St. John's College. On June 25, (the 24th being on Sunday) at a special session of the Grand Lodge, and in the presence of several thousand interested persons, he laid the cornerstone of the College. The real result of his work in the interest of the College cannot be measured by the few years of its existence. Since the College later was converted into the Oxford Orphanage, Brother Jordan may truly be regarded as the grandfather of the Orphanage. Speaking of Masonry in this grand jurisdiction, Dr. Jordan, in the course of his annual address, stated that the fraternity generally enjoyed "a state of health without parallel in our history," and that it had witnessed a "restora-

man of fine physique, about five feet ten inches tall, of massive frame, and weighed about two hundred and twenty-five pounds. He was a very handsome man and his complexion was so dark that his neighbors called him "Black Michael". The battle of Alamance was fought on land owned by him south of the great Alamance and the camp, five miles from the battleground on the Hillsboro Road, was also on his land near Belmont Mills. Even to this day the battlefield, the camp and his home are in the hands of his descendants and relatives. Michael Holt II was married twice and had ten children. Among these was William, the youngest son, born July 9, 1780, died November 9, 1846, who was the father of our subject.

William Holt represented his county in the General Assembly and was said to have been a man of great force. He married Sally Steele, who was the daughter of Col. John Steele, a distinguished Revolutionary patriot who, we are told, crashed a sword over the head of the noted Tory, Hastings, in a personal encounter in the Hawfields near Graham, North Carolina. Mr. Junius H. Harden, of Burlington, N. C., has in his possession a photograph of this same sword and it is worthy of note that it is a replica of the sword worn by General George Washington the night he crossed the Delaware and that the same skilled artisan who made the one produced the other.

Dr. Pleasant A. Holt was born in 1826 and died December 31, 1881. He was one of eight children and had two brothers who were also physicians, Samuel and Michael, and another brother, John R., who was a prominent minister of the Christian Church. We can find no record of him until 1845 when he was graduated from the University of North Carolina, receiving his A. B. degree. It cannot be determined where he received all his medical training but he did attend one course of lectures at the University of Pennsylvania during the session of 1847-1848, although he did not receive a degree from this medical school. Like other members of the Holt family he manifested an interest and took part in local and state-wide activities and he served as Justice of the Peace of Alamance County; the records proving that he figured frequently in the various courts of that county. His contemporaries said of him that he was a man of kind heart, strong intellect and was the possessor of the well balanced and cultivated mind. He became eminent in the profession of medicine and did much practice in the community in which he lived.

Like many of the Holt family, which was a very large one, he served in the Confederate Army and was commissioned Assistant Surgeon on August 1, 1861, in the 12th Regiment, North Carolina Troops, Confederate States of America, and on August 6, 1861, of the 6th North Carolina Regiment. It is also stated that he was surgeon of the 13th North Carolina Regiment. All who knew him agree that he was a great surgeon of his day. He was

PLEASANT A. HOLT

Twenty-sixth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

By CHAS. P. ELDRIDGE, *Deputy Grand Master* (218)

Dr. Pleasant A. Holt was a member of a very distinguished, eminent and influential Alamance County family. Authorities are not agreed as to whether this family was of German or English origin but as far back as we have been able to trace, the family has invariably spelled the name HOLT. As near as can be determined at this time, the first member of this family, Michael I, came to North Carolina about 1740 and obtained a grant from Earl Granville of several hundred acres of land lying between and probably covering the sites of the present towns of Burlington and Graham. The site of his home is still distinctly to be seen, half way between these towns on the north side of the Macadam Road, opposite the County Alms House on what is locally known as the WIDBEE PLACE. Michael I was a very prosperous man for his day, a good farmer, an excellent machinist and a wide-awake and very progressive citizen. The old farm burial plot is in a pine woods overgrown with ivy a few hundred yards north of the Alms House and there he, with various members of the family, lies buried.

The general tradition in the family is to the effect that the Alamance Holts are English. To such an extent is this relationship credited that many branches of the family from time immemorial have used the Redgrave Hall coat of arms with its three Fleurs-de-lis which points back to Alsace, whence this branch of family came to England.

This family, since its very beginning in Alamance County, has been prominent and outstanding, being at all times leaders in agriculture, manufacture and other enterprises for the advancement of the county; always taking part in civic, governmental and beligerent affairs whenever needed. Michael Holt I, the pioneer and progenitor of the family, was the father of five sons. If he had any daughters we have been unable to trace them. He died about 1765.

One of his sons, Michael II, born May 6, 1723, died July 20, 1799, received a grant of 520 acres from Lord Granville in the year 1762 on the Little Alamance River. This included the Thomas C. Foust and Daniel C. Holt places south of Graham, N. C. Michael II is buried on the latter place. By virtue of his strong common sense, business sagacity and sturdy character, he was one of the leaders of men in his part of Orange County and was selected very naturally as one of the King's representatives. He became Magistrate by royal appointment, in which capacity he served 'til the Revolution. He was also appointed Captain of the Militia and he held this office during the trouble with the Regulators. He was a

order so that when the hoary reaper shall summons us to the place prepared for us in the mansion in the skies, we may welcome him as a kind messenger who bringeth joyful tidings.

Our illustrious brother was twice honored with the office of Grand Master of Masons, and was twice elected Grand King of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina. He had by his skill in the Masonic art, his zeal for the good of our noble order; his largeness of heart and his labors of love, his kind sympathy and counsels, and by his faithfulness in the discharge of every duty, endeared himself to the whole fraternity, and it but honored itself in honoring him with the first place in the gift of the Grand Lodge.

*"We weep for our loved one all cold in his shroud,
Yet know he hath entered the land where no cloud
Bedims the clear light,
Through eternity bright,
From the stars in his crown."*

JOHN NICHOLS, for Committee.

We also find in the Proceedings of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina that he served as Grand King in 1860 and that he was a member of Graham Chapter, No. 28, which was granted its dispensation in 1855. He was elevated to the highest office within the gift of Masons in North Carolina, serving as Grand Master in 1855-56. Such a rapid and meteoric Masonic career brings us to the conclusion that everything said of Grand Master Holt concerning his ability, personality, magnetism and executive capacity surely was not over estimated. We have here a man who first became affiliated with the Masonic Fraternity in 1851 and five years later wore its purple upon his honored shoulders. Such a man we salute and say of him, "Well done, Past Grand Master Pleasant A. Holt".

on the staff of Hunter McGuire the Elder and was Surgeon General of General Lee's Staff, for a brief period being Chief Surgeon of the Armies of the Confederacy.

Dr. Holt moved to Florida in 1865 and, although the records do not show that he practiced medicine in the State of Florida, he was engaged in business there as a merchant and as manager of the Naval Stores and served as County Judge in Columbia County, Florida.

Dr. Pleasant Allen Holt was married twice, first to Miss Emily Williamson, and by her had one child, Ella Holt, and then to Miss Meta Long and by her had Pleasant A. Holt, Jr., Annie Holt and Meta Holt.

Mr. Junius H. Harden, whose mother was the sister of Pleasant A. Holt, says, "Dr. Holt was the handsomest and most magnetic man I ever saw. What is said about the handsome appearance of Michael must be true as it is corroborated from all sides, but I am satisfied that if these writers could have seen Dr. Pleasant A. Holt they would have agreed with me."

Thomas M. Holt who served the State of North Carolina as Governor from 1890 to 1893 was the great nephew of Dr. Pleasant A. Holt.

The records of Dr. Holt's Masonic activities are meager but we know that he was an active and zealous Mason while he lived in North Carolina although we have no record of his Masonic activities after 1865 when he moved to the state of Florida. Even though the records of Alamance Lodge, No. 133, Graham, N. C., cannot be found we have secured information from the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, 1882, to the effect that he was initiated January 24, 1851, passed January 24, 1851, and raised March 4, 1851, in Alamance Lodge, No. 133. We find further in these same proceedings the following record:

PLEASANT A. HOLT, M. D.

Died in the State of Florida

Dec. 31, 1881—Age 55 years.

Wise in council, skilled in Masonic Art, abundant in labors, he has left a memory honored and revered.

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

It having pleased the Supreme Master to remove our Past Grand Master, Pleasant A. Holt, from the labors of the quarry to the rest of the Temple, it becomes our duty while we drop the fraternal tear at the loss of so skillful and useful a craftsman, to submit uncomplainingly to the will of our Heavenly Father, and address ourselves to the all-important task of setting our own habitations in

new Chapter and served as Excellent High Priest during the years 1877, 1878, 1879, and 1880.

In 1854, Brother Clark was married to Miss Fannie Hawood of New Bern, and from this union four sons and four daughters reached maturity. The sons were: William Willis, who followed his father's profession and received a presidential nomination for Federal Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina, but this was not confirmed by the Senate; Edward W., who served several terms as Mayor and City Tax Collector of the City of New Bern; George L.; and Charles C., Jr. The daughters were Mrs. Fannie Walter, Mrs. George Heptinstall, Mrs. George B. Waters, and Mrs. J. W. Burroughs.

Brother Clark's death was announced by the then Grand Master Richard N. Hackett, in a circular dated December 1, 1911, in the following words: "It was the end of the Sabbath, at the dawn of Monday, October 30, 1911, the soul of our Brother Charles Cauthorn Clark, winged its flight to the mansions of bliss, coning to the grave in full age, like a shock of corn ascendeth in his season." The records show that he was buried with Masonic honors in Cedar Grove Cemetery at New Bern, at the side of his wife who had preceded him in death by many years, and to whose memory he had erected a monument. His own grave is unmarked.

In the death of Brother Clark the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and the community in which he lived, lost a truly good man, one respected and loved by all classes, and Masonry lost one who truly exemplified the great principles of our order.

CHARLES CAUTHORN CLARK

Thirty-fifth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

By HARRY T. PATERSON, P. G. M. (3)

Charles Cauthorn Clark was born in New Bern, Craven County, North Carolina, on December 8, 1829. He was the son of William and Martha Stevenson Clark. His early training began in the New Bern Academy, from which he went to Wake Forest, and finally to Princeton, where he graduated with high honors. After reading law under Mr. William Washington he was admitted to the bar. He was a born orator, polished with a liberal education, a lover of letters and literature, and had a mind stored with a varied knowledge. Possessing a deep and earnest faith, a nature positive and assertive, and a courtly manner he was well qualified for leadership in any walk of life.

Brother Clark united with the First Baptist Church of New Bern under the pastorate of the Reverend Doctor Thorn. His earnest piety and zeal in the cause of religion, and his profound knowledge of the Scriptures, qualified him to "divide the word," in the absence of the pastor, until by reason of feeble health he was compelled to retire from the activities of public service.

In the meridian of his manhood he formed a law partnership with the Hon. Frederick C. Roberts, and they were very successful while it lasted, separating only because both members of the firm were called to fill places in important public trust.

Brother Clark held many distinguished positions while a public servant, having represented Craven County in the Senate of North Carolina. He was elected a member of Congress from the then Second District during the Reconstruction Period, but on account of his views and convictions was not permitted to take his seat.

He was made a Master Mason in St. John's Lodge, No. 3, A. F. & A. M., of New Bern, N. C., in 1851, and served through the successive offices until he reached the Oriental Chair. The author of this sketch knew personally many of his contemporaries in the lodge, and they all stated that it was a privilege never forgotten to hear his beautiful and impressive rendition of the ritualistic work. He was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and served as such during the years 1850 and 1851.

Brother Clark was advanced to the degree of Mark Master, inducted into the Oriental Chair of King Solomon, received and acknowledged a Most Excellent Master, and exalted to the sublime degree of a Royal Arch Mason, in Eureka Chapter, No. 7, R.A.M., of New Bern. On account of the changes and interruptions caused by the War Between the States, the charter of Eureka Chapter, No. 7, was surrendered, and New Bern Chapter, No. 46, R.A.M., was organized. Companion Clark united by affiliation with the

HEZEKIAH A. GUDGER*Forty-fifth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina**By W. R. SMITH, Asst. Grand Secretary (500)*

Hezekiah A. Gudger was born May 27, 1850, and died September 22, 1917. He was a lawyer by profession. He was thrice elected from Madison County as Representative to the State Legislature and was Superintendent of the State Institute of Deaf, Dumb, and Blind for several years. For several years he served as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Canal Zone.

From his Masonic record we find that he was but twenty years of age when he was made a Mason, being born in 1850 and being made a Master Mason in French Broad Lodge, No. 292, in Madison, in 1870. He later demitted to Mt. Hermon Lodge, No. 118, in Asheville. He served as Grand Master in 1891-1892. While he was Grand Master he had serving with him A. Rosenthal (Jew) as Grand Secretary, and William Simpson (a Scotsman) as Grand Treasurer, showing both the universality of Masonry and also that the Grand Lodge finances were in good hands.

During Grand Master Hezekiah Gudger's term of office a resolution was adopted to send a delegation to a Fraternal International Congress to be held at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago but it was stated in the resolution "That we emphatically say that this meeting shall in no wise be considered as a General Grand Lodge". Grand Master Gudger was a member of that delegation.

During Grand Master Gudger's term the following was overruled (see page 48 of the Grand Lodge Proceedings for 1892): "A candidate having a stiff knee is physically disqualified for the degrees, so also a man with only one leg or with only one eye." Grand Master Gudger had the courage of his convictions as is hereby shown by quoting a statement made by him.

While I was Grand Master I received a telegram from a lodge in the state that a brother had died with delirium tremens and wanted to be buried with Masonic Honors, but the lodge did not want to do this and asked to be exempted from this duty. They were promptly telegraphed to carry out the brother's wishes. The Master telegraphed back that the brother had been drunk for twelve months, that it would hurt Masonry in that neighborhood and that the officers would refuse to act. The reply was sent saying: "You bore the brother while he was alive. You cannot try him after his death. He died in good standing; unless he is buried with Masonic Honors and the officers attend I will arrest the charter." The ceremony was performed and I do not know whether it hurt Masonry in that neighborhood or not, but I do know that if the brothers who belonged to that lodge had

SAMUEL H. SMITH

Forty-fourth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

By FRED F. DANNON, J. W. (666)

Major Samuel H. Smith was born at Wadesboro, North Carolina, September 15, 1846, the son of Samuel H. and Margaret Wood Smith. At the age of fifteen he enlisted in the Confederate army, serving as a private in Sutherland's Battery, near Wilmington. On October 10, 1867, he married Miss Margaret Carmalt, of Thomasville, to which union eight children were born. In 1875 he moved to Winston-Salem, where for twenty years or so he was in the drug business with William C. Brown, later Grand Commander of this state. Many honors were his and he was an active member of the Home Moravian Church. He served two terms as Mayor of Winston, reorganized the Forsyth Riflemen, was on the staff of Governors Glenn and Fowle and during Cleveland's administration was Postmaster, thereafter serving as Commercial Agent of the Norfolk and Western Railway in the two Carolinas. He died October 27, 1918, at the ripe age of seventy-two.

Brother Smith received his degrees in Thomasville Lodge, No. 214, (formally Richland Lodge) on the following dates: initiated December 30, 1870; passed January 31, 1871; raised February 20, 1871. He demitted and became a charter member of Numa F. Reid Lodge, No. 344, at High Point, in 1875, and in 1877 became a member of Winston Lodge, No. 167, serving that lodge both as Master and Secretary. He was advanced to the Mark Master Mason's degree in Winston Chapter, No. 24, on January 19, 1877, received the Past Master and Most Excellent Master, February 2, 1877, and was exalted to the Holy Royal Arch, February 16, 1877. Later in life he became a member of the Scottish Rite. In 1880 he was appointed Junior Grand Deacon and advanced up the ladder that leads to fame in our Mystic Circle, being, in January, 1889, elected Grand Master, serving for two terms.

JOHN WHITAKER COTTEN

Forty-sixth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

By JOSEPH L. PEACOCK, P. G. C. (58)

John Whitaker Cotten, was born in Wake County, North Carolina, August 11, 1845, and died in Tarboro, October 1, 1922.

While Brother Cotten received only a common school education, he was a very intelligent man. He was recognized as a leader of men all through his life. He was handsome and of military bearing and was a lieutenant in the 10th Heavy Artillery and Signal Corps, Confederate States of America. After the war he settled in Tarboro and became Captain of the Edgecombe Guards, Company A, North Carolina National Guard. He later was made Brigadier General of the National Guard and served as such from 1891 to 1896. He became Major of the 2nd Regiment, North Carolina Volunteers, May 27, 1898, and served with distinction through the Spanish-American War.

He served as Chief of Police for many years in Tarboro and won the respect of all classes of citizens. He was fearless and was one of Tarboro's kindest citizens. Wherever there was need John Cotten was present with his words and deeds of cheer. He was a cotton weigher for many years and regarded as absolutely honest.

Brother Cotten was a worthy Mason from his initiation until his death. He was a Past Master of Concord Lodge, No. 58, of Tarboro; a charter member of Concord Chapter, No. 5, of Tarboro. He became Grand Master of Masons in 1893 and served the Craft with diligence and dignity.

Brother Cotten was twice married. His first wife was Miss Elizabeth Frink of Southport, North Carolina. She bore him five children. His second wife was Miss Alice Pender, of Tarboro. He had two children by her. He left a goodly heritage both as a man and as a Mason. Tarboro and the State greatly mourned his death, for he was greatly beloved by everyone.

discharged their duty in time they at least would have been exempt from any responsibility.

After retiring as Grand Master in 1892 Brother Gudger kept up his Masonic activities, being appointed Grand Orator in 1916. His very beautiful oration was teeming with poetry and we here-with cull one thought as follows:

*Happy is the man whose actions bear
The unerring test of that rigid square.
Who through life unswerving trod,
Steadfast and true to man and God;
Seeking by actions of charity and love,
To gain admission to the Lodge above;
Knowing that the stone in the rubbish cast,
Should crown the Master's work at last.*

The year 1917, when Hezekiah A. Gudger died, also noted the passing of P. G. M. John Nichols, P. G. M. Charles H. Roberson, P. G. M. Francis M. Winchester, and Leo D. Heartt, Grand Treasurer.

WALTER E. MOORE*Forty-eighth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina*

By EARLEY W. BRIDGES, P. M. (76)

Walter Evans Moore was born October 14, 1856, near the Asheville Sulphur Springs in Buncombe County, North Carolina. He was the son of William Hamilton Moore and Mary Gudger Moore.

He received the principal part of his educational training at the Sand Hill Academy in his native county; an institution which played an important role in the educational life of Western North Carolina more than sixty years ago. He labored on the farm during the summer season and attended school in the winter until he was about nineteen years of age. He then learned the carpenter's trade (in Asheville) at which he worked and also studied law for a while. He soon found out that his inexperience in this kind of work hindered him from accumulating sufficient funds, so he accepted a loan from his uncle, Judge J. C. L. Gudger, and attended the law school of Dick and Dillard in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Obtaining his license in January, 1880, he did not begin the practice of law until April, 1881, when he established his first office in Webster where he lived for about forty-five years; then moving his residence to Sylva.

He was married on January 10, 1883, to Miss Laura Enloe, a daughter of Captain W. A. Enloe, a leading merchant and a prominent business man of Webster. At the time of his death Judge Moore was survived by the following children: Thomas, Misses Hannah and Dorothy Moore, Mrs. Eugene M. Bearden and Mrs. Holmes Bryson. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Webster.

He was County Attorney of Jackson County from 1881 to 1892. He represented Jackson County in the State House of Representatives in 1893, 1899 and 1901; and was speaker during his last term.

At the close of the General Assembly in 1901, he retired to private life and resumed the practice of law until November, 1926, when he was elected Judge of the Superior Court of the 20th Judicial District, which position he occupied at the time of his death.

Where Brother Moore received his Masonic degrees is unknown but he was a member of Unaka Lodge, No. 268, of Webster, in January, 1889, and this is the earliest information that could be found. He kept his membership in this lodge, and was a continuous member until his death. He was Master of the lodge for seven or more years.

He was a member of Asheville Chapter, No. 25, R. A. M., in

FRANCIS MARION MOYE

Forty-seventh Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

By MICHEL SALIBA, P. D. D. G. M. (117)

Dr. Francis M. Moye was born in Pitt County, North Carolina, 7 August, 1839, the son of Macon and Emily Carr Moye. Although he studied medicine he did not practice it. His only brother-in-law, Mr. Ward, and he went into the mercantile business as partners about four miles east of Stantonsburg, called Moyton, and the business grew into a million dollars a year enterprise.

Dr. Moye never married. He died in New Bern 28 May, 1911, and was buried there. He left many true friends and brethren throughout the state.

He was initiated 27 February, 1864, passed the same date, and raised 5 March, 1864, in Joseph Warren Lodge, No. 92, which Lodge, although stationed at Stantonsburg, met at Moyton from time to time. He served that Lodge as Master during the term 1868-1869. Exalted to the Royal Arch in Mount Lebanon Chapter, No. 27, 11 February, 1884; greeted a Select Master in Mount Lebanon Council, No. 27, on 8 February, 1884, and dubbed a Knight Templar in Mount Lebanon Commandery, No. 7, on 10 June, 1884. He was also a member of Oasis Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

Brother Moye served as Grand Commander of Knights Templar in 1892, as Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons in 1893, and as Grand Master of Masons in 1895-1896; he also served several years as Grand Lecturer.

RICHARD JORDAN NOBLE*Forty-ninth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina*

By W. R. SMITH, P. M., Asst. Grand Secretary (500)

In the files of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina there is the following letter:

April 23rd, 1919.

W. W. WILLSON, Esqr.

Raleigh, N. C.

My Dear Sir and Brother:

Sometime ago you asked me for a write-up of myself. I now give it to you. Put this letter to the enclosed and you will have it all. I was "born in Louisburg, Franklin County, N. C., on October 16, 1853. Son of Albert M. and Mary A. Noble."

If I have not the dates correctly as to my offices in the Grand Lodge, please correct them.

Yours in the Faith,

R. J. NOBLE.

Then follows the Masonic career of Dr. R. J. Noble, which we record herewith:

Dr. R. J. Noble, Illustrious Potentate of Oasis Temple, A.A. O.N.M.S. was initiated in Selma Lodge, No. 320, A. F. & A. M., April 23, 1876; passed to the degree of Fellow Craft in May and raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on July 4, 1876. The following December he was elected Senior Warden of Selma Lodge, and in December, 1877, was elected Worshipful Master of the same. In 1878 he was appointed Senior Grand Deacon by Grand Master W. R. Cox. In 1891 he was made a Royal Arch Mason in Goldsboro Chapter, No. 29, R.A.M.

Dr. Noble was demitted from Selma Lodge, No. 320, and affiliated with Fellowship Lodge, No. 84, in August, 1890. In 1891 he was Worshipful Master of Fellowship Lodge and served as such for two years.

In 1892 he was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. In 1894 he was elected Senior Grand Warden; then Deputy Grand Master, and in 1899 was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge.

In May, 1898, at Raleigh, he crossed the hot sands of the desert, joining Oasis Temple. In 1910 he had the Scottish Rite Degrees conferred on him by Carolina Consistory, No. 1, at Charlotte, N. C.

In 1911 he was appointed Outer Guard by Potentate Cramp-ton and filled all the various offices in the Temple 'til February,

1891, and received the degrees possibly during that year. He remained a member until 1904.

He was a member of Cyrene Commandery, No. 5, K.T., of Asheville, in 1892, and remained a member until 1904.

On May 17, 1898, he joined Oasis Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., of Charlotte, his number being 145.

He first attended the Grand Lodge of North Carolina as a representative of Unaka Lodge, No. 268, of Webster, on January 8, 1889, and two days later was appointed and installed Grand Sword Bearer, holding this office for four years.

On January 12, 1893, he was installed Junior Grand Warden and installed Senior Grand Warden January 10, 1895, serving until January 14, 1897.

He was installed Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina on January 14, 1897, and served in this capacity until January 12, 1899. He rendered a great service to the fraternity, and was an efficient and constructive Grand Master, and was the oldest in line of the living Past Grand Masters at the time of his death on January 23, 1933.

BEVERLY SAMPSON ROYSTER*Fiftieth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina*

By F. M. PINNIX (122)

Beverly Sampson Royster, fiftieth Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, was an outstanding figure in the annals of his state in fraternal, civil and military life. He was the youngest son of Stephen S. and Jane Eliza (Robards) Royster, being born in Granville County, January 17, 1865, and after a distinguished and useful career, died at his home in Oxford, November 16, 1929, the funeral services being attended by one of the largest concourses of people ever to assemble in his home town on a similar occasion.

Young Beverly came along in the trying times of Reconstruction in North Carolina and his early years were spent on his father's plantation where he became inured into the habits of life that resulted in the development of the strong traits of character he displayed in all subsequent contacts. He had to devote himself largely to the support of his family, his father, a loyal Confederate soldier, having been wounded in battle and reduced to a poor state of health. His formal education was brief and limited, since he had to quit the neighborhood school at the age of fifteen years on account of the death of his father and assume management of the farm for his mother. At this early period he demonstrated the sturdiness of character and practiced the commendable economy that was so invaluable in his mature years. He learned faithfulness to duty and determination, starting life with a high ideal of purpose.

The years of farm experience were followed by work, first in an Oxford jewelry store, and later in a drug store. Determined to become a lawyer, he studied law in the office of Judge R. W. Winston and passed the State Bar examination in 1888. He was licensed in 1888 and at once began to practice in Oxford where he lived and was loved all his life. His high character, ability, courtly manner and keen interest in people and public affairs, gave him an excellent start. In all the years of his practice before the bar, he figured in practically every case of importance in the civil and criminal courts of Granville County, and his legal reputation in the surrounding country was very high. He had the keen judicial mind; his knowledge of law was comprehensive and always through forty-one years of continuous experience he conducted his cases with great skill and fidelity to the interests of his clients.

The promising young man early developed interest in military life and joined the local military company. Beginning at the bottom as private he rose through the grades of office and in 1898 was commissioned Adjutant General of the state, in which position he ser-

1919, when he was elected to the highest office in the Temple, that of Illustrious Potentate.

Dick Noble, as his friends loved to call him, was a practicing physician in Johnston County and illustrated the present tradition of the old home country doctor. He was an expert surgeon and was under professional engagement to the Southern Railway and Atlantic Coast Line. He was a member of the State Medical Society and the local Medical Society of his county.

He was also Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Selma Graded School and was instrumental in having built the present modern school building in Selma. He was a member of the Selma Methodist Church and for a number of years served as Steward.

On the 16th day of December, 1880, Dr. Noble married Miss Bettie Devara Moore, of a highly influential family of Johnston County. Their married life of perfect and unbroken happiness closed with her death, March 25, 1925. The children of this union were Dr. Robert Primrose Noble, of Raleigh; Albert M. Noble, attorney-at-law, Smithfield; Miss Annie S. Noble, of Selma; and Walter Moore Noble, of Brawley, California. A son bearing his father's name died in infancy.

He gave the Orphanage his loyal support and was foremost in the early enlargement of our great plant at Oxford. He was a member of the Building Committee that supervised the erection of our Temple at Raleigh, and has served faithfully as director of the Masonic Temple Construction Company. He knew by name more brethren who attend the Grand Lodge than any of his fellows. Prior to his death he was in control of the Temple.

On April 19, 1930, he was proceeding in his car from our State Capitol to Selma on a mission of mercy. His car went off the highway and was turned over. He was severely bruised. Persons nearby took him up and carried him to the Johnston County Hospital at Smithfield. Pneumonia developed. On Wednesday afternoon at his insistence he was carried to his home in Selma. The end was apparent and he passed away in the early morning hours of April 27, 1930.

the Junior Order of United American Mechanics; Woodmen of the World, and others.

Two days after becoming a Master Mason, October 15, 1890, Brother Royster and Miss Mamie Hobgood, daughter of Professor Franklin P. Hobgood, were married. There were six children of the union; Mamie, wife of R. T. Howerton, Jr., of Durham; Beverly S. Royster, Jr.; Royal H. Royster; Helen, wife of B. T. Branch, of Sanford; Dorothy and Thomas S. Royster. His home life was beautiful and he was always chivalrously devoted to his helpmeet and their children.

His character had many facets. He was a many sided man, and loyalty was fundamental. As long as any man or institution was deemed by him to merit support he gave utter loyalty. Grounded in the Christian faith, he lived true to its teachings, yet there was nothing of the fanatic in his religious life. To his country's interests he gave unbounded patriotic response.

General Royster was a trial lawyer of the first rank. When he had prepared a case, he was ready in every sense of the word. He watched every movement of the opposition and woe be it unto them if they made a slip. He had the faculty of getting at the core of an issue and presenting it before the jury in a logical and convincing manner.

Though his early educational opportunities were very limited, years of experience at the University of Hard Work resulted in the acquisition of the practical education that many holders of baccalaureate awards often fail to attain.

He was a self instructed student. All his life he sought to know and how to apply knowledge. He loved the classics and related them to the issues of the day.

ved six years, seeing service in the Spanish-American War. He was appointed in 1916 and resigned in 1917. At the instance of Governor T. W. Bickett he accepted a third appointment and served during the World War days in 1917 and 1918 with great credit, resigning in 1919 because of ill health.

General Royster was four times elected Mayor of Oxford. For years he was chairman of the Granville County Executive Committee of the Democratic Party and, for years also, a member of the State Executive Committee. He represented his county in the Legislature, served as chairman of the Board of Education, and his counsel and personality were sought in various affairs relating to the public weal.

Brother Royster was an outstanding leader in fraternal life. He early became a devotee of Masonry and loved and served the institution all his life. October 13, 1890, he was raised to the Sublime Degree and ten years later was honored by being elected to the highest office possible to a Master Mason, that of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, at the 1900 Annual Communication, and was reelected to another term the succeeding year. His conduct of the affairs of the Grand Lodge was characterized by wisdom and success. Until the day of his death he served the Grand Lodge, his local lodge, Oxford, No. 396 (since his death the number, 122, was restored), and the Oxford Orphanage to which he gave more than a quarter of a century of unremitting and unselfish service. The institution was the apple of his eye, and night or day, he stood ready to give its affairs any needed attention. After the death of Superintendent R. L. Brown and before the election of Superintendent C. K. Proctor, the Board of Directors placed the management of the Orphanage in the hands of Past Grand Master Royster and Past Grand Master J. Bailey Owen. Acutely aware of the great responsibility, General Royster said, "I do hope and pray that I may not make a mistake. I don't want to make a mistake—I don't want to." For many decades attendants at the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge remember what pride he took in speaking before the Grand Body about the institution he loved so well. This devotion inspired him to great bursts of eloquence that to this day are well remembered.

Brother Royster was always a leading figure in Craft affairs. He served on all the important committees and boards; on the Board of General Purposes, the Board of Directors of the Orphanage; on the Jurisprudence Committee; on the Masonic Temple Committee; and so on. He was also a York Rite Mason and Shriner.

General Royster had the unusual distinction of being Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at the same time he was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge (Masonic) of North Carolina. He was also a member of other fraternal orders:

passing through the several chairs, was elected to the high office of Grand Master in 1902 and reelected in 1903.

Dr. Clark's interest in the Order extended also to Capitular Masonry. He was exalted in Concord Chapter, No. 5, Royal Arch Masons, in Tarboro, in 1891, and the following year served as High Priest of Conoho Chapter, No. 12, at Williamston. He was elected Grand Scribe of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina in 1892, and elevated to the office of Grand High Priest in 1894.

Dr. Clark passed away, with a heart attack, at his home in Scotland Neck, on April 17, 1930. The funeral was conducted from Trinity Episcopal Church, of which he was a devoted member, on April 19, 1930, his seventy-third birthday.

Dr. Clark may be rightfully numbered among North Carolina's distinguished citizens. His close personal friend, Dr. Julian M. Baker, of Tarboro, pays him this high tribute in the 1931 Transactions of the Medical Society of North Carolina:

And thus has passed one of the few remaining doctors of the old school. A life long general practitioner, a country doctor, the friend, counsellor and confident of all his clientele, courteous, polished, cordial, a good sport, always. He could take reverses without a murmur, but always willing and anxious to help anyone in distress. A prince in hospitality, a Christian gentleman. His community, his country and the state are better because Irwin Clark has lived and moved and had his being.

* * * His life deserves emulation and praise, and should serve as an example for those who follow. Fame and fortune had but few attractions for him. His chief ambition was to serve humanity in sickness and distress. He was a friend of man.

HENRY IRWIN CLARK

Fifty-first Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

By EDGAR W. TIMBERLAKE, P. G. M. (282)

Henry Irwin Clark was born in the city of Tarboro, North Carolina, April 19, 1857. He came of a distinguished North Carolina family, his father being the Honorable Henry Toole Clark, Governor of the state, 1861-1862, and his mother, Mary Parker Clark.

After completing his academic training in the University of North Carolina, Dr. Clark studied medicine at Bellevue Medical College, in New York City, in 1877 and 1878, and was graduated from the University of Maryland School of Medicine, in Baltimore, in 1879. Upon his graduation from the latter institution, he immediately commenced his internship in the Baltimore City Hospital, Bayview, and remained there for two years.

In 1881 Dr. Clark located in Hamilton, Martin County, N. C., where he practiced his profession for twenty years with success and distinction. In 1901 he moved to Scotland Neck, where he continued in the practice, with even greater success and distinction, until his death. Dr. Clark was endowed by nature with all the fine qualities that go to make up the true physician. He not only possessed a profound knowledge of the science of medicine, and how to apply it, but he had also love for humanity in his heart. To his patients he was friend as well as physician.

On November 3, 1885, Dr. Clark was married to Miss Alethia Barrow, daughter of Dr. William Barrow, of Jackson, N. C. Surviving Dr. Clark are Mrs. Clark and five children, Mrs. William J. Gordon, of Leaksville-Spray, Henry T. and Irwin Clark, of Scotland Neck, Mrs. Thurman D. Kitchin, of Wake Forest, and Miss Laura Clark, a missionary of the Episcopal Church at Nanking, China.

Dr. Clark was greatly interested in military affairs. In 1912 he was appointed to the rank of Major in the Medical Corps of the North Carolina National Guard, and served in that capacity until 1916. Upon the entry of the United States into the World War, he made every effort to continue in the service but having passed the age limit was automatically retired.

Among Dr. Clark's chief interests in life was Freemasonry. He believed in and practiced its tenets, and was a devoted and active member of the Fraternity as long as he lived. He never failed to attend the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge. He was made a Master Mason in Conoho Lodge, No. 399, at Hamilton, in January, 1888, and was Master in 1891, 1892, and 1893. He dimitted to Scotland Neck Lodge, No. 470, on February 16, 1913, and served as Master in 1914 and 1915. In 1893 he was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and, after

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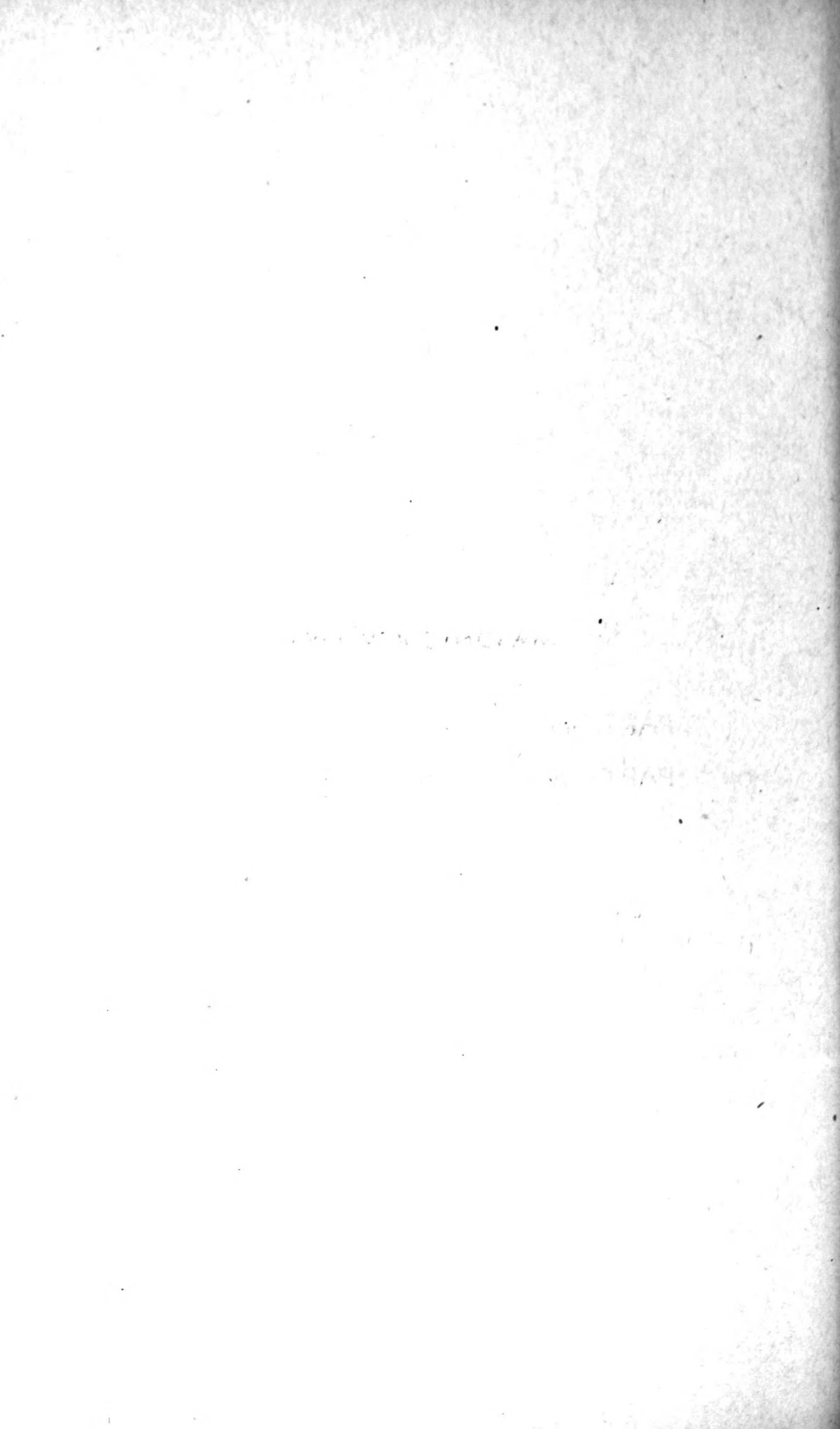
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THE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Pressure is being put on the Scandinavians from both sides, as well as upon the Balkan states. There is not a little dissatisfaction with the conduct of the war by the British. Great Britain has not gained friends in the United States these last few months. The Empire may be facing dissolution—indeed, it hangs together by slender threads in several directions. It must be remembered that many of the Masons listed on the rolls of England and Scotland are members of lodges in Africa, India and overseas. Only Canada and the Australian states have separate Grand Lodges in the British dominions; and many in Australia, New Zealand and Tasmania still belong to lodges under the British constitutions. So it is entirely possible that there may be some very serious disruption of the Masonic situation in a comparatively short time.

It is interesting to note that in the midst of all of these things, Masonry in the Americas seems to have been greatly solidified and in the face of decreases in membership, to have cleared its decks for a period of more earnest and serious work in the near future than it has seen in many years. There is a serious attempt to understand Masonry in Latin America. This will bring much good. The Latin-American Grand Lodges are in better condition than they have been in any other period, and in general, deserve recognition. While political conditions in these republics are not such that we may say that they have reached complete stability, it seems to be true that the capacity of these people for self government has been increasing year by year.

Elsewhere we are giving our readers an address which this scribe prepared for the Conference of Grand Masters of the United States this year, which attempts to throw some light upon this situation historically. It might in part be said to have as its theme, "The Influence of the Monroe Doctrine." We commend it to an interested reader.

Two of the Foreign Correspondence writers are much inclined to twit this scribe upon the fact that North Carolina has recognized a greater number of Grand Lodges

GREETINGS

It is a pleasure to bring brief greetings this good year of 1940. Eleven years ago the tables presented by this Correspondent showed, for the first time in many decades, a loss in Masonic membership in the United States, and from that report to this one, the losses have continued. They still continue, for that matter; but the loss this year is smaller than it has been since 1932; and our particular cause for rejoicing is the fact that here in North Carolina we are this year reporting a small gain. Not only is this true, but in the United States we have had more raisings in the reports current before us, than in any reports since 1933. It seems safe to predict that the cycle of losses has about spent itself and we are soon to emerge. We had a net loss of 808,902 in ten years, over and above raisings of 554,124—altogether, we lost 1,363,126 by death, suspension and dimits not again affiliated in that decade—and here we are with more than two and a half million men still in good standing and the tide is turning. What marvelous power!

Not only is this true, but it is demonstrable that the quality of our Masonic action and activity are better than for a long time. Lodges are quite eager to make every communication count for something and not be a dull and valueless evening. Seats are not so largely empty as they were. A better day is before us.

It would be a happy thing if we were able to report the same concerning the world at large as far as Masonry is concerned. But the picture is not rosy at all in that continent from which Masonry had its origins. The continent of Europe has seen country after country prohibit Masonry. Since we last sat down to write Fraternal Reviews, much of Europe has gone to war, hard on the heels of the termination of the Spanish war. The issue seems to be Hitler and Hitler's policies. Much to the surprise of all of America, the Soviet Russians joined hands with Germany and Italy chose to stay out for the present.

going on for many years. The wonder is, that native Masonry in Mexico has come through the decades of this sort of thing fit to be recognized at all—but it really has.

The Mexican problem has challenged this scribe very greatly. He believes the Masonic spirit should impel us to attempt to assist these Mexican Grand Lodges. He has made such an attempt, and is very glad that he has. He believes that the Grand Lodges which we have recognized, worthy of recognition as they were then, are going to continue to pattern themselves more and more after the American ideal, and to be a shining light to the others in the Republic of Mexico.

On the other hand, here is a Fraternal Correspondent who has found something wrong with two of them and therefore he wants us to know that he disapproves. One of the two is at outs with the Mexican Scottish Rite Supreme Council, and therefore, he would have us infer, it should not be recognized by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. But curiously enough, the other has an agreement with the Mexican Scottish Rite Supreme Council about something else; and therefore he wants us to know, and says plainly, that this is unfit for recognition. We are going to let the reader form the conclusions. Then, one of them is accused in a Mexican newspaper of the vintage of 1936 of having an officer or two who attempted to get his Grand Lodge involved in politics; ergo, it is outside the pale. This scribe has known Grand Masters of American Grand Lodges to do the same thing, or be accused of it with strong color of fact. We thumb the nose at foreign groups because of that which is only spoken of in whispers when it occurs in the American family of Grand Lodges. We repeat, we are satisfied as of this date with our course, even though it has given us conspicuous position so as to be shot at. We don't like to be conspicuous; but if that is the price of duty well done, then we pay the price.

THE MASONIC BURIAL SERVICE

Perhaps the first Grand Lodge assignment that this scribe ever had was as a member of a committee to con-

in foreign countries than has any other Grand Lodge in this country or elsewhere. When called upon to state which of our recognitions they would object to, they as a rule say they just don't know. That is, they don't know which should be omitted from the list of recognitions, and when they pick out a particular one about which to give vent to skepticism, it is necessary that they admit that their information is excessively meagre. Now we realize that in a position such as ours, we are liable to have our record thrown up to us at any time. He who goes further than his fellows is at once an object of criticism. Somebody is sure to find something to throw up at him—more than one is looking for something to throw up at him; and of course it goes without saying that it can be found. Something is always going sour and then getting sweet again, in Masonry as in all things else. Humanity is human, and is constantly learning by the process of trial and error. The error, therefore, is always to be found.

Here, for instance, is one Fraternal Correspondent who has dug up something that he does not like about one of the Mexican Grand Lodges, and he brushes it past our nose and says in effect that the Fraternal Correspondent of North Carolina must smell that—yes, he mentions us specifically. The chances are, that if our Grand Lodge and another had not extended recognition to this particular Grand Lodge in the Republic of Mexico, it would have gone unnoticed; but not so; we stuck our neck out and he takes a shot at the matter.

Let us say in the outset that the treatment that American Masonry has given to Mexican Masonry reflects no credit upon the true spirit of charity and helpfulness which Masonry carries with it. The American Grand Lodges have not made any attempt to truly understand Masonry in Mexico—like the mule which butted the telephone pole in the story, they weren't blind but just didn't give a d—n. They all fell for a lot of very nice brethren in Mexico who used the English language as official, and ignored the rest, assuming that it is not worthy of recognition. This is in essence what has been

beautiful tribute to the deceased and a comfort to the family, but too often the Master and his associates muddle through the ceremony in an expressionless and inaudible tone which is of no consolation to the relatives and adds but little credit to our ancient society. Their conclusion is that if the service is undertaken at all, it should be impressively conducted or left entirely to the church, where it could be reverently and appropriately performed.

The Grand Master of Colorado confessed to having studied the service carefully, but had come to the conclusion that while it could be vastly changed, in its abbreviated form it could not be much improved. He believes that the keynote of our service should be dignity and simplicity, that the warmth and sympathy of our brotherly regard is amply present. While Masons are not professionals in the matter of funerals, we must not lose sight of the fact that we are very often judged by our public appearance and that meager attendance reflects a real lack of sympathy, and the careless and shipshod rendition does the service much less than the justice it deserves. All these defects reflect but one thing—lack of adequate preparation. While it may be the prerogative of a Master to participate, good judgment often dictates that the duty of conducting funerals should be assigned another.

In Kansas a committee was appointed to revise and modify the funeral service.

An unusual dispensation was granted by the Grand Master of Louisiana to a lodge to conduct a funeral service for a brother who had died and had been buried more than a year—for the reason that such service was impossible at the time the body was interred.

Kansas was not the only state to revise the funeral ritual, for a similar revision was carried out by the state of Maryland, under the direction of Rev. Brother Cordell Powers. The service is not printed in the proceedings, but we are informed "it is brief, retaining all its beauty and solemnity." It has been printed in convenient form and four copies given to each lodge.

The question of attendance of Grand Lodge officers at official funerals is one involving discussion in many jurisdictions, and in Montana we find that actual expenses of the Grand Master or his proxy, the Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, and Grand Marshal are paid when attending funerals.

New Hampshire has adopted the service now in use in Massachusetts, all done with the sanction of the Grand Lodge of that state.

A few years ago the Grand Master of New Jersey

sider the revision of the Masonic burial service. The story is a little long, and the summary of it all is that no revision of the burial service was ever offered by that particular committee or adopted by the Grand Lodge when offered later by a committee appointed by a later Grand Master.

But there was then and there still is, a feeling that something ought to be done about the matter. This is true not only in North Carolina but also in other Grand Jurisdictions. We are indebted to Reviewer Ray Denslow for a discussion of the matter in his topical reviews, for 1939. Brother Denslow is one of the officers of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States. He writes and clips as follows:

BURIAL SERVICE

There is general dissatisfaction with the burial service of the fraternity. This is evidenced by the unusual number of efforts being made in various Grand Lodges to reconsider, revise and, in some instances, do away with, the present service. The general complaint is that the present service is not a sympathetic one, that it does not take into account the modern trends of thought, and that in many instances the service had best never be given than to have it garbled by those who are delivering it in a purely ritualistic fashion, without feeling, sympathy or the dignity which Masonic ritual demands. There is, and always has been, criticism as to the attendance at Masonic funerals, and since funerals constitute one of the very few opportunities for the public appearance of the Masonic fraternity, there are those in our membership who seriously doubt the wisdom of even attempting to carry out a Masonic burial service. There are many jurisdictions, much older than ourselves, who have no Masonic burial service and there is, and always will be, objection upon the part of those religious denominations who feel that religious service should be reserved for the church alone.

In Ontario, a committee notes that the revision of the burial service has been completed, as well as a memorial service for departed brethren. It intimates that in time the latter service, in amended or modified form, may supersede the former, since thoughtful Masons have long recognized the necessity of change in the funeral service. The committee notes that the service is being given with various degrees of efficiency. In a few instances the Master seems to have his duties well in hand, resulting in a

suggests that we face the facts and not continue to perpetuate that which is a source of discredit to us.

A lodge in Virginia was given a dispensation by the Grand Master to give Masonic burial to a brother of a lodge in Havana, Cuba, but the committee would not approve the dispensation without the following proviso being included: "In the absence of direct information that deceased was a member in good standing, but being morally certain of the fact."

West Virginia takes note of Masonic public appearance, the Grand Master specifying the laying of cornerstones and the Masonic burial service as the only times in which public appearance is permitted. He believes that the good taste of modern times requires that the interment of the dead be performed with the utmost simplicity, dignity and orderliness, and that the funeral should be conducted, not by the lodge but by the church, but when it is conducted by the lodge is should at least be performed by one of sufficient culture so that the difficult task will not be a sacrilege, and is of the opinion that the ritual might well be shortened.

This scribe has been experimenting with a revision of the Burial Service for a long time. We feel inclined to include herewith the results of our experimentation, as follows:

EXPERIMENTAL REVISION OF MASONIC BURIAL SERVICE

Prepared by J. Edward Allen

NOTE:

No attempt has been made to do anything with the form of Procession; or with the depositing of the Acacia by the Brethren assembled; or with the giving of the Funeral Grand Honors. These may be dealt with as the officer conducting the service may find most effective. They may be eliminated.

This Burial Service may be conducted entirely by one brother; or by one Mason with the assistance of a minister who is a Mason; or with the aid of two or more persons as the officer conducting it may determine.

This Masonic Burial Service should never be undertaken unless the officer in charge reads carefully, effectively and distinctly, with dignity and decorum.

Parts of this Service may be eliminated as occasion requires or the effectiveness of the occasion suggests to the brother conducting it. The Presiding Officer should deposit the acacia even if none other do so. The Prayer should never be omitted. An-

attended the funeral service of a brother Mason which was held at a funeral home and largely attended by members and non-members of the craft. The Masonic service was far from impressively rendered and a few days later the Grand Master received from a non-Mason this letter:

"This was the first Masonic funeral service I ever attended. I think it is splendid to have a member's friends rally around and join in this fine expression of fraternal interest and friendship. I do not know how you feel about it, nor whether it would be futile for you to try to do anything about it; I do feel that the ritual ought to be rewritten by someone who could put it in much simpler and more effective language. There were at least half a dozen words in the ritual which the Master stumbled over, some he had apparently never seen, as he was quite at sea in the pronunciation, and one of them he mispronounced so that it had an entirely different meaning."

The Grand Master, in commenting on the latter, stated that the great trouble with the average officer was that he rarely made a study of his job, failing to grasp the vision and intent of the service, his uppermost thought being to get it over with.

The revision of the burial service in New Mexico was the duty assigned to the committee on ritual. They have inserted the benediction following a verse from Thanatopsis, as well as changing several of the various paragraphs of the service itself. In adopting the service, a Past Grand Master suggested that the family always be given due consideration, having seen several cases where they were crowded out. He also believed that the officers only should conduct the funeral.

The Grand Master of New York, in his address to the Grand Lodge, states that it is a mistaken notion that it is the duty of the Master to personally conduct the funeral service, but rather his duty to see that the brother best qualified is assigned the task, and that the scriptural quotations, the prayers, the committal, and the benediction are properly a part of the clergy and should be entrusted to the Chaplain, preferably a clergyman. He finds that our funeral rites well rendered may bring comfort and hope to grieving hearts and that while our part of the performance of these rites is a duty and obligation, it is also a solemn opportunity coupled with real responsibility.

Reviewer Allen, of North Carolina, acknowledges that the funeral service of that jurisdiction is not in the least impressive, that its language cannot be used impressively, and that it is not adapted to present-day modes of interment, for which reason it is being used less and less. He

My brethren, this cold insensibility is not he whom we have known. This is not our brother. It is but the mortal and perishable form of him. His soul, grown weary of the flesh, has laid it aside to enter, naked and unafraid, into the presence of God.

This body is the frame from which the picture has vanished, the shell from which the pearl is gone. It is not he who lies here. This is the clothing he has outgrown. Our brother is not in this narrow house before you. This is only the immobile flesh of which he has been divested before his spirit might advance inward and upward to that Eternal Lodge where the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe forever presides. Oh death, where is thy sting? Oh grave, where is thy victory?

Why therefore should we grieve, my brethren? Death is not here. This is not defeat, but victory. Our brother has but passed through the closely tiled door at which all, soon or late, must knock. The portal has opened and he has passed from labor into rest; from turmoil into peace; from mortality into glory. Sorrow has no place here. Tears are vain. Rather should we rejoice in the triumph of one we have loved.

These last offices we pay this body proclaim only our selfish sorrow at parting. It is we, not he, for whom grief should be shown. Not for him should tears be shed who has triumphed over mortal life and is at peace.

In the mighty economy of Nature, nothing is lost. It is the design of the Great Architect that the soul of our brother endure, transfigured, ennobled, glorified, for Eternity. This body the soul no longer needs we shall commit with due honors to the resolving arms of Nature. It shall return to the great Mother of us all, even as the spirit God breathed into it has returned to its home.

For mortal existence is but a vapor that endureth for a little and vanisheth away. Death is not imprisonment, but release; not the ending of life, but the beginning of immortality. Why should we sorrow therefore for one who has been emancipated from the slavery of

other Benediction may be substituted, but it must always be remembered that this is NOT the burial service of any Christian denomination.

—J. E. A.

I.—*Exhortation*

"I know that my Redeemer liveth and though after death worms destroy this body, yet in my spiritual body I shall see God."

My brethren we have assembled today about this bier in accordance with the ancient customs of our craft to bid farewell to the mortal body and Godspeed to the immortal spirit of him who dwelt a brother among us.

"Comfort ye, comfort ye, my people, saith your God. Behold the Lord God will come with a strong hand and his arm shall rule for him. Behold his reward is with him and his work before him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather his lambs with his arm and carry them in his bosom and shall gently lead those that are with young.

"Hast thou not known, hast thou not heard that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary. There is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint, and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

"Even the youths shall faint and be weary and the young men shall utterly fail, but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings, as eagles. They shall run and not be weary and they shall walk and not be faint.

"The sun shall no more be thy light by day. Neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee, but the Lord shall be to thee an everlasting light and thy God, thy Glory.

"Thy sun shall no more go down, neither shall thy moon withdraw itself, for the Lord shall be thine everlasting light and the days of thy mourning shall be ended."

There is no death.

into the midst of the sea. The Lord of hosts is with us. Trust therefore in the Lord for with Jehovah there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption.

God shall wipe away all tears; and there shall be no more death; neither sorrow, nor crying; neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things have passed away.

Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him. For the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. With everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee saith the Lord. The mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall my covenant of peace be removed, saith the Lord whose mercy endureth forever. It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are fresh every morning and are renewed every evening.

It is good that a man should hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord.

The Lord hath established His throne in the heavens; and His kingdom ruleth over all.

Therefore because of the Lord's faithfulness which faileth not, even in the darkest night, "Hope sees a star, and listening love hears the rustle of an angel's wing."

IV.—*Depositing Apron*

The lambskin or white leather apron is an emblem of innocence and the badge of a Mason, more ancient than the Golden Fleece or Roman Eagle, more honorable than the Star and Garter or any other order when worthily worn.

This apron we deposit in the grave of our brother as a reminder of our unity in service, of the common destiny that beckons us hence, of the Masonic spirit of universality that linked us as brothers, and, although barriers of wealth, political power or social prestige may have kept us temporarily apart, Death, the great leveller, brings us at last to one distinction, reduces us to a com-

the weak and painful flesh, for one to whom God has given eternal freedom?

We perform our rites above this body for the love of him who once dwelt therein. We do not believe that he himself now lies before us. This was the form in which we knew and loved him. The farewell we bid his soul is fond, but not final. How can it be when we know that when we in our turn lie as his body now lies. Our spirits shall greet his spirit which we shall see no more in the flesh?

It is with this conviction, it is with this certainty that we, as Masons, now observe our last office for the dead.

II.—*Depositing Acacia*

This evergreen, which once marked the temporary resting place of the illustrious dead, is an emblem of our faith in the immortality of the soul.

By it we are reminded that we have an imperishable, immortal spirit, which survives this death, and which will never, never, never die. By it we are admonished that we, too, like our brother, whose remains now lie before us, shall soon be clothed in the habiliments of death; yet, through the merits of the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, we may confidently hope that our souls will bloom in eternal spring.

III.—*Consolation*

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear; the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

In the time of trouble He shall hide me in His tabernacle; yea, in the secret place of His dwelling shall He hide me.

God is our refuge and strength: a very present help in time of trouble. Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved and though the mountains be carried

from the dominion of death. Grant Thy sustaining grace to these mourners and bereaved friends. May all find rest and comfort in Thee, and, relying upon Thine infinite love, wait in patient hope for death to be swallowed up in victory. Amen.

VII.—*Close and Benediction*

Soft and safe to thee, my brother, be thy earthly bed! Bright and glorious be thy rising from it! Fragrant be the acacia sprig that there shall flourish! May the earliest buds of spring unfold their beauties o'er thy resting place, and there the sweetness of the summer's last rose linger longest! Though the cold blasts of winter may lay them in the dust, and for a time destroy the loveliness of their existence, yet the destruction is not final; and in the spring-time they shall surely bloom again. So, in the bright morning of the world's resurrection, thy mortal frame, now laid in the dust by the shining blast of Death, shall come into newness of life, and expand in immortal beauty in realms beyond the skies. Until then, dear brother—until then—Farewell!

May the hallowing influence of this scene go with us through the remaining journey of life, and as we shall come, one by one, to the end of life's day, may the western sky hold a glorious promise for us and be radiant with the reflected consciousness of some good work accomplished. May we walk down to the river with fearless step and with a sublime faith that we are in the hands of a true and trusty friend in whose fidelity we may with safety confide.

The Lord bless us and keep us: The Lord make His face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us: The Lord lift upon us the light of His countenance, and give us peace!

AMEN.

SO MOTE IT BE.

mon grade, makes us to know that, born as we are into one great brotherhood, no circumstance of chance or achievement shall serve to separate us in Eternity.

V.—*The Committal*

Inasmuch as it hath pleased Almighty God, in His wise providence to receive the soul of our deceased brother, we therefore commit his body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust; looking for the general resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come. "I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me: 'Write, from henceforth blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.' Even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labors."

We pray Almighty God of His infinite goodness to comfort the hearts which have been stricken by this affliction, and to extend His saving mercy to us all; and when the work of life is ended, may our hopes ripen into the fruition of everlasting bliss; and this we beg for the honor of His Holy Name, to whom be Glory now and forever.

VI.—*The Prayer*

Let us pray—

Unto Thee, O God, Father of all, do we come in this hour of grief and bereavement. Unto Thee do we send up the cry of our sorrowing hearts. Thou, who dost mark the sparrow's fall, and number even the hairs of our heads, look with infinite compassion on our weakness, and, in this hour of need, give the strength which Thou alone canst impart. Standing by the open portals of this house appointed for all the living, we pray for light—for light to illuminate the dark path which our brother has trod; for light to drive away all the shadows of mortality, and reveal to our anxious souls those serene heights of beauty and joy, whither, we trust, our brother has ascended. As we consign his body to the elements may we realize how weak and impotent is every human arm of strength, and trust in Thy might alone for deliverance

many more to spare. If we might but remove this great beam from our own eye, we might with proper perspective perceive more clearly the mote that is perceptible on the Masonic horizon in countries to the east of us.

So far as our records show, there were in Germany six "humanitarian" Grand Lodges, which admitted non-Christians, and three others which admitted Christians only, at the height of Masonic growth in that country; and while it is always very difficult to obtain any reliable figures on Masonic membership from such groups it is reported that the total membership of all of these never exceeded fifty or sixty thousand. The Grand Lodge of Hamburg was the most populous of these, according to our reports. Even these figures may have been largely mythical. This is the largest of all Masonic populations affected by the totalitarian governments or the war. Probably Italy came next, then Spain, Czechoslovakia, Poland and the rest. The Masonic population of Turkey was never very impressive numerically. Altogether, numerically speaking, the loss in the countries of the proscription has been little compared with the annual loss by suspension and dimit alone in the United States. And as for the future, all admit that the present conditions are not final. What the outcome of the war will be, no man can at this moment predict. Realignment of all sorts may occur at any date without warning. We may awaken ourselves to find the Allies in subjection, in which case Masonry in its environment to which it is indigenous would suffer irreparable loss, and not Masonry alone but institutions of many sorts dear to us. Or we may find the very governments which have proscribed Freemasonry, themselves wiped from the map; in which case the effect upon Freemasonry might be any of several things. It may come to pass that the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics may be so completely reorganized as to be something quite different, but what would that mean to Freemasonry? Freemasonry never existed in Russia during the governments of the Czars, save a little sporadic group among foreign influence peoples here and there over a century, and it is small wonder that it does not exist

DEVELOPMENTS IN FREEMASONRY IN FOREIGN LANDS

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(The Grand Master of North Carolina was requested to speak to the Conference of Grand Masters of the United States on February 23, 1940, on Masonic happenings of interest in foreign lands. The subject was such that he seemed best able to discuss primarily the background of developments in the Americas, and here is his discussion of the subject.)

If this paper is expected to be a last minute news-sheet concerning the late news of Freemasonry in the war zone, bearing anything worth while with respect thereto, then the audience is doomed to disappointment from this moment. I am unable to bring you any information concerning Freemasonry in continental Europe that would be called important. About all that one can say is, that the nations are at war and Freemasonry is getting the brunt of it.

But a survey of the situation on a world wide basis is still of some value, even admitting that of late news of importance there is little.

It is a striking fact today that the very country in which Freemasonry is at the height of freedom, in which three-fourths of the Freemasons of the world are resident, in which it is the privilege of every man to petition for the degrees without fear of ostracism and to worship his God in the utmost freedom of conscience, is the country in which there seems to be the greatest difficulty in retaining members on the rolls. We recoil with something akin to horror when we read of the fact that Freemasonry has been proscribed in Germany and in all lands under her domination; we stand aghast at the reports of the massacre of Masons in Spain; we read with great sorrow of the virtual extinction of the organization in other countries; and with it all we seem to fail to realize that right here in the United States of America we have lost more of Masonic membership in the past ten years, than there ever were in all of the non-English speaking Grand Lodges in the world combined, and

is hoped that the impact of that Freemasonry which does require the presence of the Volume of the Sacred Law may be so strong that nothing will cause any expansion of the Belgian-French school of thought. Of course, we should make it plain that in France there is the Grand Lodge National, which is an offshoot from the English system. It is perfectly regular and is quite independent in its government. Also, incidentally, it scrupulously avoids printing its literature in anything save French.

The most phenomenal item of the foreign Masonic news of the present is the extraordinary growth in membership which has been shown in the British Grand Lodges. Not so many years ago, the Grand Lodge of New York was reputed to be the largest body of Symbolic Freemasonry in the world; today, unquestionably that honor goes to the United Grand Lodge of England. While the American bodies were losing members, the United Grand Lodge was growing apace. It is now said to have four hundred and fifty thousand members. The outstanding characteristic of this organization is the number of small, compact, class-divided lodges which are numbered on its rolls. The number of members in an average lodge is considerably less than one hundred. One finds numbers of lodges composed of alumni of some school; of officers of some corporation; of professional men of homogeneous thought, and of vast numbers of connections similar in kind. Plural membership is widely practiced.

In Ireland, Freemasonry is not banned by the government, but quite the contrary. But lawless bands of Irish from time to time storm and occupy the Masonic Temples, as for instance the structure on Molesworth Street, Dublin. When the Masons protest, they are told that it would be possible to stop the lawlessness by the use of the officers of the police force, but that it is strongly advised not to do this, but rather to let the marauders depart in peace, which they usually do in a short while. When this writer was in Dublin, it was noticed that the museum pieces were not in their places in the Temple. We were told that the government advised that they be

among the Reds. They have never taken the trouble to say anything about it, so far as known, because they had none to speak of.

In France and in Belgium, there seems to be not the slightest desire to follow the Freemasonry of the rest of the world and to restore the Volume of the Sacred Law to the requirements upon the altar; nor to require any profession of faith in a Supreme Being of candidates. The Belgian Freemason is a man of excellent education and standing, but he sees no reason to restore the Volume of the Sacred Law to the altar. The French Mason tells you that an identical attitude on his part is his reaction against the curse of ecclesiasticism. One day some five years ago this writer visited a popular sea-coast resort town in France and there was taken to a private residence and entertained. It was suggested by the host or the hostess that the visitors might like to go to the basement. On arrival there we found a beautifully appointed lodge room and a dining hall. The rest of the company fell to discussing something which this scribe did not understand, and I was left alone in the lodge room. On each of the pedestals at the stations of the principal officers was a copy of the ritual, and it seemed to be understood that I was expected to read and study this ritual, which I did—in fact, it is possible that I was expected to retain a copy as a memento, which I did not do. But nowhere in that ritual was any expression of faith in the Supreme Architect; nowhere was any reference to the Volume of the Sacred Law. Liberty, Equality, Fraternity ruled the spirit of the place. Whatever of emphasis on spiritual values there might be found was asserted in a manner which American Freemasonry does not comprehend and with high dilution.

Within the past six months there has come to the attention of this writer a pamphlet and a circular emanating from the above mentioned type of Freemasonry, seeking to suggest some basis on which it may be recognized by American Freemasonry. According to the concepts of the Freemasonry with which this writer is familiar, this course would be quite an impossibility, and it

of America and that such bodies are worthy of recognition.

Freemasonry in the United States owes a duty to its brethren to the south to develop goodwill and a common understanding in Masonry wherever true Masonic quality is found and the standards are correct. The old bugbear of the Monroe Doctrine, and the misunderstandings which have come from it, have fostered ill will long enough; and our American aloofness and indifference toward the Masonry south of us have done no good. It would be most interesting to trace the influence of the Monroe Doctrine in all international matters among the Americas. It may not be generally known that the Monroe Doctrine did not originate with President Monroe, but with a suggestion from England. The Spanish colonies in the Americas had shaken off the domination of the old country. The "Holy Alliance" sought to aid Spain. England was approached about the project. England was profiting greatly by the new trade coming her way and desired not to aid the Holy Alliance. She proposed to the United States that the two countries issue a joint declaration that they were opposed to the acquisition of the former Spanish Colonial territory by any European power, either for itself or in the name of Spain. American statesmen agreed in principle, but thought ours should be an independent declaration, and Britain got cold on the matter. Then, in December, 1823, President Monroe in his message to Congress went further than had been proposed and declared that the Americas were closed to European colonization; that America was for Americans; and that any attempt to reconquer the South American Republics would be considered a "manifestation of unfriendly disposition toward the United States." For many years, the American Republics have assumed that the Monroe Doctrine is our "indirect way of asserting an overlordship over the countries to the south of us," and it has been resented. The Mexican War came twenty years later, and this, with all of its concomitant circumstances, appeared to be convincing proof of this attempt at overlordship. Mr. James J. Polk wrote in his diary that Cali-

stored to prevent theft when the lawless element stormed the Temple from time to time, shortly thereafter departing.

Perhaps the most fruitful field for study in Masonry today is the situation in the Americas. When this scribe first became Foreign Correspondent in 1923, Masonry in Latin America was in an apparently hopeless state of chaos—many Grand Lodges were not independent, but were tied up in administration and in dogma with Supreme Councils and the like; others had within themselves warring elements and were beset by religious fanaticism from without, and few, if any, knew or had ever heard of any Standards of Recognition. Some of them were said to be in fraternal correspondence with clandestine Masonry, and even with the Negro Grand Lodges of the United States. In the midst of these were a small group of Grand Lodges which never deviated greatly from the path of regularity. Today all of this is changed. About seventeen years ago, the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, New York and North Carolina, together with others, gave wide publicity to their Standards of Recognition, which were to all intents and purposes closely alike. They were translated into Spanish and broadcast in Latin America. Masonic travelers to these countries advised the adoption by the Latin American Grand Lodges of Declarations of Principles based upon these Standards of Recognition. It soon came to pass that almost every Grand Lodge in Latin America had adopted a declaration of principles following closely the substance and in many instances the exact words, of our Standards of Recognition. Today, it would be a very fine Masonic gesture if the greater part of the Grand Lodges of the United States of America would extend recognition to the great body of Latin American Freemasonry. We do not advocate universal recognition,—that millennium has not yet arrived. But we do say without hesitation that the standards of Masonry in the majority of the Latin American Grand Lodges are quite in conformity with the standards of recognition of the greater number of the Grand Lodges of the United States

Confederation of Australia or our Conference of Grand Masters. They did not include in it the irregulars. It would be well for every Grand Lodge represented in this Conference to make some careful study of Masonic developments in Mexico in the past few years.

This very sketchy and rambling narrative attempts to give a realistic picture of Freemasonry in some spots in the world today, referring to some facts which may have been overlooked by not a few of those present. Our chief concern, our Masonic Frontier for present development, it seems to this writer, is in the Americas. This scribe has no apology for recommending recognition of Grand Lodges in the Americas. This policy is amply consistent with the principles which he has suggested in this paper.

DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

In 1939, there was much discussion in the Conference of Grand Lodges of the United States of a Declaration of Principles, and in that year the Grand Lodge of North Carolina adopted a slightly modified form of that Declaration which the Conference suggested. It now appears that the movement was not found in the United States alone, but also in Great Britain. The United Grand Lodge of England has promulgated the following, which is the British version of the Declaration of Principles:

All through my term of office there has been a very intense international situation, resulting in the further suppression of Masonry in parts of Europe, and the circulation of many false and injurious statements in regard to Masonry, its aims and objects. So serious was the position considered that the Grand Lodge of England last fall made public the following Declaration of Principles:

"From time to time the United Grand Lodge of England has deemed it desirable to set forth in precise form the aims of Freemasonry as consistently practiced under its jurisdiction since it came into being as an organized body in 1717, and also to define the principles governing its relations with those other Grand Lodges with which it is in fraternal accord.

"In view of representations which have been received and of statements recently issued which have distorted

fornia was an important goal in it, in May, 1846. In the war as a lieutenant was Ulysses S. Grant. Many years later he said in his memoirs:

"I do not think there was ever a more wicked war than that waged by the United States on Mexico. I thought so at the time, when I was a youngster, only I had not moral courage enough to resign."

The story of the acquisition of the Canal Zone gave still further strength to this feeling of hostility. It is said that the French company which first started the Canal fomented the revolution in the Republic of Colombia; but it is still a fact that when the revolt began there were three of our warships at Colon and the Marines were promptly landed "to restore order." On November 6, 1903, at eleven thirty, a. m., the news of the formation of the new republic reached Washington, says the historian, and by one o'clock, p. m., the new Republic of Panama had already been recognized by the State Department on the same day.

It is in this background of distrust that our Masonic relations with the Masonry of the Latin American Republics have had to stand. Small wonder that we have not gotten closer together. Small wonder that today our Grand Lodges of the United States as a rule know little or nothing about the several Grand Lodges of the States of Mexico, recognize none of them, and discriminate not between the regular and the irregular in that country. It is in this background, with California still not forgotten, that we have to think of the recent expropriations of oil properties, of the less recent border incidents, of diplomatic bunglings in general.

This scribe has the utmost respect for the English-speaking brethren in Mexico who formed their own Grand Lodge; he is fond of its officers and members, many of whom we know. But we are not willing to admit that this is all of Masonry in that Republic which should be recognized. Some four years ago, the regular Spanish-speaking Grand Lodges of Mexico formed their Masonic Confederation, somewhat like that Masonic

ferences with so called International Associations claiming to represent Freemasonry, which admit to membership Bodies failing to conform strictly to the principles upon which the Grand Lodge of England is founded. The Grand Lodge does not admit any such claim, nor can its views be represented by any such association.

"There is no secret with regard to any of the basic principles of Freemasonry, some of which have been stated above. The Grand Lodge will always consider the recognition of those Grand Lodges which profess, and practice, and can show that they have consistently professed and practiced those established and unaltered principles, but in no circumstances will it enter into discussion with a view to any new or varied interpretation of them. They must be accepted and practiced wholeheartedly, and in their entirety by those who desire to be recognized as Freemasons by the United Grand Lodge of England."

MASONIC PUBLICITY

In the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, we find the following entry:

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICITY

Brother C. Frank Mann (865) read the following report, which was adopted on his motion:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers, and Brothers of the Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of the State of Kentucky:

GREETING:

We, your Committee on Publicity, beg leave to report that we have conscientiously performed our duties to the best of our ability during the past twelve months and have secured much favorable publicity in the press. All of which we believe has redounded to the advantages of placing our beloved institution in the proper light before the several communities in the state, which it deserves.

We are of the opinion that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina should give proper consideration to something of the same kind. We might as well remember that we live in a day in which the publicity man plays an important part in the success or failure of what is going on. The Shrine gets its publicity from its Crippled Children's Hospital program, and it profits by it very greatly. This last Masonic year, our North Carolina District De-

or obscured the true objects of Freemasonry, it is once again considered necessary to emphasize certain fundamental principles of the Order.

"The first condition of admission into, and membership of, the Order is a belief in the Supreme Being. This is essential and admits of no compromise.

"The Bible, referred to by Freemasons as the Volume of the Sacred Law, is always open in the Lodges. Every candidate is required to take his Obligation on that book or on the Volume which is held by his particular creed to impart sanctity to an oath or promise taken upon it.

"Everyone who enters Freemasonry is, at the outset, strictly forbidden to countenance any act which may have a tendency to subvert the peace and good order of society; he must pay due obedience to the law of any state in which he resides or which may afford him protection, and he must never be remiss in the allegiance due to the Sovereign of his native land.

"While English Freemasonry thus inculcates in each of its members the duties of loyalty and citizenship, it reserves to the individual the right to hold his own opinion with regard to public affairs. But neither in any Lodge nor at any time in his capacity as a Freemason, is he permitted to discuss or to advance his views on theological or political questions.

"The Grand Lodge has always consistently refused to express any opinion on questions of foreign or domestic state policy either at home or abroad, and it will not allow its name to be associated with any action, however humanitarian it may appear to be, which infringes its unalterable policy of standing aloof from every question affecting the relations between one government and another, or between political parties, or questions as to rival theories of government.

"The Grand Lodge is aware that there do exist Bodies, styling themselves Freemasons, which do not adhere to these principles, and while that attitude exists The Grand Lodge of England refuses absolutely to have any relations with such Bodies, or to regard them as Freemasons.

"The Grand Lodge of England is a Sovereign and independent Body practising Freemasonry only within the three Degrees, and only within the limits defined in its Constitution as 'pure Antient Masonry'. It does not recognize or admit the existence of any superior Masonic authority, however styled.

"On more than one occasion the Grand Lodge has refused, and will continue to refuse, to participate in Com-

In this connection through the kindness of several Grand Lodge jurisdictions we are able to compare the length of our ritual with those of others, picked at random throughout the United States of America. We find for instance, that we take $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours to put on the M. M. Degree, one other takes 3 hours, one 70 minutes and several 2 hours. The other degrees show practically the same results. These figures are significant and the committee has been more or less guided by them. The reductions proposed by the committee will not reduce the time to less than 2 hours, two hours and forty-five minutes being nearer the mark.

(2) The beauty and dignity of the degrees, especially the dramatization in the third degree, should be preserved.

(3) That the present form and wording should be kept and changes should be made only where necessary.

(4) That unnecessary repetition should be avoided.

(5) That lectures should be kept within due bounds.

(6) That "optional" parts should be kept to a minimum.

(7) That while the larger lodges should have an opportunity to express themselves in an impressive manner and with special ceremonies, the degree work as put on by the smaller lodges should be no less dignified and complete, within the limits of their resources.

(8) That any shortening should be confined principally to the examinations and lectures. The committee realizes that many other changes could be suggested that would be advantageous. Even in its own personnel there were many differences of opinion. Yet it also wishes to impress the need for finality. It will welcome, even yet, suggestions that have been overlooked, something that might easily happen, but unless they are vital it would appreciate a sympathetic approach to this report by the members of Grand Lodge generally. The committee also wishes to impress the importance of this report on all members of the Grand Lodge, irrespective of the rite they are working under, as it is a matter concerning Grand Lodge as a whole. So it is hoped the "Canadian" rite brethren will express their opinions, offer their advice and cast their votes on the question as one which concerns the whole jurisdiction.

ENGLAND, UNITED GRAND LODGE

The London Times in its issue of July 20, 1939, gave an account of the installation on the previous day, of His

puties were asked to appoint District Publicity Chairmen, and it was done. As a result Masonry in this state has benefited very greatly.

LENGTHY COMMUNICATIONS OF LODGES

This scribe is convinced that we have to revolutionize our concepts of a communication of a Masonic Lodge. We believe that we are facing the necessity of having in each lodge a Program Committee, which will, as aids to the Grand Master, see to it that each meeting is properly planned and well worth while. One of the essential requirements is that business shall have its place but shall not spoil the inspirational and educational side of Freemasonry. Another is, that in inspirational and educational attempts, we shall have adequate variety; and a third, that no meeting shall be prolonged too late in an evening. It is an axiom with us that no communication of a lodge should keep the members beyond ten o'clock.

There has been some difficulty in Canada with a ritual that is very elaborate. The Grand Lodge of Alberta took note of this fact, and appointed a committee to do something about it. The committee reported at the Annual Communication of 1939, and its report was adopted, carrying with it very marked ritualistic changes. Now an admitted change in the ritual of Symbolic Freemasonry in any Grand Lodge is so infrequent and so serious a matter that it is worthy of note. We are opposed to all changes in ritual as a general thing. If our third degree ritual occupied three and a half hours, we don't know how we should feel about it. Here is the report of that Alberta committee, adopted:

(1) That the principal function of the lodge is to make Masons of those duly qualified. The Masonic Lodge is neither a proselytising agency nor a reform school. It brings together in bands of friendship those who already have the necessary qualifications. This is done by the conferring of degrees. The committee realizes that many wonderful results are incidental to Masonry, but it wishes to emphasize the importance of degree work. The degrees should be bestowed with solemnity and dignity. This cannot be done in a few short minutes nor should the members become weary in well doing.

casion the ceremony was held in Albert Hall and 9,000 Freemasons attended. The large increase in numbers attending the installation yesterday, no less than 3,000 new lodges which have been founded since 1901, gives an indication both of the progress of Masonry, and the highly successful tenure of office by the Duke of Connaught. As the sympathetic applause which greeted his message yesterday showed, the Duke has won the warm affection of Masons throughout the world. When King Edward VII was installed he took as the text for his speech the watchwords of the craft, "Loyalty and Charity." To the outside world those two words sum up the activities of Freemasonry, for no observant citizen can be unmindful of the enormous charitable, educational, and beneficent work done by Masons. The long and close connexion between the Royal House and the Freemasons give sure proof of the fact which was emphasized in all the speeches yesterday—that English Masonry takes no part in politics either national or international. The installation of the new Grand Master shows that the nonpolitical character of English Masonry will be maintained, and many outside the body of the brethren will wish his Royal Highness good fortune in his important and distinguished office.

The pro Grand Master, the Earl of Harewood, opened Grand Lodge, and visiting deputations from recognized jurisdictions then entered in procession, each heralded by a fanfare of trumpets. The deputations came from Central and South America and the West Indies, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Finland, Yugoslavia, France, Philippine Islands, Norway, Greece, Denmark, Switzerland, Sweden, the Netherlands, United States of America, Scotland, and Ireland. Each representative was personally greeted by Lord Harewood.

The arrival of the King was then announced and a procession was formed to escort him into Grand Lodge. An unforgettable moment followed. As a fanfare of trumpets sounded, his Majesty appeared alone at the head of the flight of stairs at one end of the hall leading from the balcony to the arena. Clothed in the regalia of Past Grand Master he remained there while the National Anthem was played and then slowly descended to join the procession below. A storm of cheering broke out, gathering renewed volume as he passed each block of seats on his way to the raised dais.

When the King reached his seat, he was addressed by Lord Harewood * * * (he asked that his Majesty install the newly elected Grand Master). Lord Harewood then vacated his chair and the King took his place. The arrival of the Duke of Kent was announced * * * and the new

Royal Highness the Duke of Kent as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England to succeed his uncle, the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn. We earnestly desired to attend this ceremony, but conditions were not such as to make it practicable to do so. We give our readers both the news story and the editorial relating to the event, using the applicable portions:

In the presence of over 10,000 Freemasons yesterday the Duke of Kent was installed by his Majesty as Grand Master in succession to the Duke of Connaught. (The Duke of Connaught is now past ninety years of age and had recently resigned.) Olympia (hall) made an excellent setting for the ceremony, in which the dignified ritual was seen to the best advantage. It was an occasion which from its rarity (there have been only six Grand Masters since 1813) merits the often indiscriminately used adjective "historic," and it will certainly be long remembered by all who were privileged to be present. It was not generally known beforehand that His Majesty was to install his brother; but even so, Olympia could have been filled three times over, and attendance yesterday had to be regulated by ballot.

As the King pointed out in his speech, the connexion between Masonry and the Royal family is of long standing and dates back to the middle of the eighteenth century. Moreover, with the exception of one period of thirty years from 1844 to 1874, a member of the Royal family has been Grand Master for over a century and a half. The present Grand Master's grandfather, King Edward, held the office for twenty-five years till his accession—years during which the influence and prestige of Freemasonry were greatly enhanced. It is interesting to recall that King Edward's own grandfather, also the Duke of Kent, was a prominent Mason. He was in fact Grand Master of the Ancient Grand Lodge which in 1813 was joined to the other body of English Masons under the title of the United Grand Lodge. It can therefore be said that two forebears of his Royal Highness have held the office to which he was installed yesterday. The Duke's impending departure for Australia, where, it may be noted, Freemasonry has a strong following, means that for the first few years of office he will not be able to take a very active part of its work. No doubt a great deal of the work while the Duke is in Australia will fall to the capable hands of the Pro Grand Master, Lord Harewood.

Thirty-eight years ago almost to the day, the Duke of Connaught was appointed Grand Master. On that oc-

As no Grand Master had been installed for the past 38 years you can appreciate the fact that great preparations were made for an event which seldom occurs. The installation this year was perhaps the most distinguished event in the career of the United Grand Lodge, for it marks the first time that a King installed his brother as the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and when you realize that the next heir to the throne will be a Queen you can see that it will perhaps be a century or more before a duplication of this same installation can take place.

Freemasonry in the British Isles has looked to the Royalty and nobility for its leaders for a long time, and in all the ceremonies incident to the installation, the nobility were everywhere in evidence. Lord Harewood, brother-in-law of the King and the Duke of Kent, was pro-Grand Master, and was present at all times to greet the guests and to conduct the various ceremonies. The installation took place on July 19th, 1939, at Olympia, a large building comparable to our Fifth Regiment Armory, in the presence of nearly thirteen thousand Masons from England and all over the world. The visiting Grand Masters and representatives of Grand Lodges were seated on the dais with the Grand Lodge officers of England. There were present representatives from Central and South America, the West Indies, Australasia, Canada, Europe and Asia, Scotland and Ireland, and the United States of America.

MASONIC CLUBS IN FLORIDA

The Grand Master of Florida seems to have had his hands full of various things. Among others, was the problem of organizations called Masonic which let their name get itself mixed up with matters tinged with politics.

Here is what he reports about the matter, in part:

MASONIC CLUBS

It has been evident to Masonic thinkers for many years, now that Freemasonry had too many incumbrances in the shape of clubs, societies and what not predicated their membership on Masonic affiliations. These things have been referred to by many of our most eminent Masons in the United States as parasites, and unless curbed will eventually destroy the order.

I do not use so strong a term as parasite; indeed, I am convinced that all of them were organized for what was

Grand Master was escorted into Grand Lodge. He, too, stood alone at the head of the balcony stairs, while the fanfare of trumpets was sounded, and then, amid ever-growing cheers, walked up the center of the hall.

Addressing him, the King said: It gives me pleasure to come here today to install you, my own brother, as Grand Master of English Freemasonry. As you know, except for one period of thirty years, a member of our House has occupied the throne of Grand Master for over a century and a half. For the past 65 years this throne has been filled first by our grandfather, King Edward VII, and then by our great uncle, the Duke of Connaught, who is beloved by men and Masons throughout the world. During this period English Freemasonry has prospered in a remarkable manner. It will be no easy task for any Mason to follow in their footsteps, but I have every confidence that you will succeed in the office to which you have been elected by your brethren. This great and representative gathering of recognized Freemasons, who have come from all parts of the globe to greet you on this occasion, will indicate to you the support you may expect in the future. You know that you have my good wishes, and as a brother Mason I shall always follow with great interest your rulership of the craft and the progress of our order.

The Grand Master of Maryland adds the following words of historical interest:

The Grand Lodge of England is the oldest Grand Lodge in existence. It was organized 1717. As practically all of the Grand Lodges existing today trace their history back to the mother Grand Lodge of England, it has been a custom of the Grand Lodge to recognize those jurisdictions who can trace their origin to the United Grand Lodge of England.

I could give you a long recital of my wonderful and interesting visit to the Grand Lodge of England and to Europe, but it would make this report entirely too long if I should include all that my heart prompts me to say.

For a time there were two Grand Lodges in England and during the 126 years since the consolidation and the formation of the United Grand Lodge in 1813, there have been but five Grand Masters. In the last 65 years there have been but two Grand Masters,—Edward, Prince of Wales (late King Edward VII, 1874 to 1901), then the Duke of Connaught from 1901 to 1939, they being respectively the grandfather and the great uncle of the Duke of Kent.

change the name only temporarily "or until the Grand Lodge met and a new Grand Master was elected."

From time to time the public press of Jacksonville has carried in large headlines a purported report of what transpired in the meeting of the club in question such as, what the Masons said or what the Masons did or what action the Masons took, on some question or matter entirely foreign to Masonry or anything pertaining to Masonry.

I temporized with the members of this club over a period of several months hoping to come to some satisfactory solution of the matter but I am sorry to state that the club has shown no inclination to co-operate with me or acknowledge my authority in the premises. So on February 28, 1939, I directed a letter to the President and asked him to notify the Masons of the Square Club to discontinue meeting. To this letter I have no reply but rather I have it on what I consider good authority that at the meeting of the club on March 3, 1939, it was decided to ignore my request.

Most Worshipful Ralph B. Chapman reported to the last Grand Lodge that he had approved the organization of luncheon clubs at Tampa and Key West but he also states "I have information which leads me to believe that there is something like three hundred organizations that derive membership from Masonic affiliates and by some it is believed that these hang-on organizations are endeavoring to predominate the field and are a detriment to Masonry in general". Most Worshipful Brother Chapman then goes on to quote the late Most Worshipful Lewis Block, Past Grand Master of Masons of Iowa, who during his life, was one of the outstanding Masons of the world. Most Worshipful Brother Block was rather severe in his language, condemning these outside organizations as parasites parading as Masons. Among the things he said "They are thus practically parading under false pretenses and practicing a fraud upon the innocent and unwary, thereby, putting Masonry in a false light before the world". After using considerable strong language Most Worshipful Brother Block concluded his caustic comments by saying we need a new set of Masonic police regulations to put a period on these outside organizations and confine Masonry to the precincts of a tiled lodge.

After giving this matter months of thought and deliberate consideration and having the benefit of the counsels of other Masons of high standing in this state, under date of March 14, 1939, acting under authority conferred upon me by the Constitution of this Grand Lodge I promulgated an edict reading as follows:

conceived to be a good purpose but I am also convinced that the time has come in this Grand Jurisdiction when some definite and positive action must be taken to disassociate Masonry from them.

In Jacksonville there is a luncheon club which was organized many years ago, said to be composed of Master Masons in good standing. This club first used the name "Acacia Club" or "Square Club" and later changed its name to "Masonic Club". While there is no authority for the organization of such a club given by the Grand Lodge or any Grand Master, the club was permitted to continue because no one in authority raised objection to it. In October last year, however, such an objection was made to me officially as Grand Master.

It seems that a speaker before a club a short time prior thereto had touched upon a very controversial subject and I had a communication from a Past Master of one of our Jacksonville Lodges demanding that the other side of this controversy might appear before the same club in rebuttal. I advised the Past Master in question that the Masonic Club of Jacksonville "is not a Masonic organization, therefore, it is not appropriate for me to have any correspondence with them regarding any subject under discussion at the time."

However I immediately wrote the President of the Jacksonville Masonic Club to know "where the authority came from for using the name Masonic in connection with the Masonic Club of Jacksonville". His reply was, "So far as I know or can ascertain from inquiry among the older members of the club no authority was received for using the name Masonic and not felt to be necessary or needed". He also advised that the club has no stated membership nor a roll of members, and that it is nothing more or less than a meeting among Master Masons for a luncheon on Friday of each week, but, nevertheless they used the name "Masonic Club" and their actions and speeches are frequently referred to in the public press as, what the Masons did or what the Masons said.

The controversial subject to which I referred to above was one pertaining to the proposed horizontal cut in Railroad wages. This, of course, was highly controversial and raised decided objections from those who were on the other side of the question.

I first asked the club to change its name without having any purpose or intention of interdicting it. At the next meeting, after receipt of my letter suggesting the change in name, I have it on what I consider reliable authority that a resolution and amendment was adopted to

We are further inclined to suspect that the impression which has gone abroad that Masonry is fighting some church and its educational program and so forth has had much to do with the small number of requests that have come to us to lay cornerstones. It is a pity that such a notion should have been allowed to prevail. It cannot do any good. If they think we are fighting somebody or some group, of course public officials are not going to let us represent that which is spiritual in a public ceremony representing all the people.

Bro. Ray Denslow has compiled some facts and observations about cornerstone ceremonies which we here offer to our readers:

At the time this article is written the Grand Master of Missouri has laid, during his administration, eighteen cornerstones of public edifices. Concerning these cornerstones we feel very much as our friend Ed Allen of North Carolina, who, in referring to the absence of Masonic cornerstone layings, suggested the possibility that we might not be encouraging the ceremony as much as we might. He believes such occasions to be not only interesting, but inspiring, and productive of much Masonic good since they place the fraternity in an advantageous place not occupied by any other fraternal order. In North Carolina he finds many restrictions and demands attached to the ceremonies, which apparently discourage rather than encourage Masonic participation. He asks:

"We see no reason to go out and run down such occasions and ask to be allowed to perform them, but why take the attitude of discouraging them?"

In this the writer fully agrees, believing that it is better for the fraternity that we not insist in our demands for the placing of Masonic inscriptions upon cornerstones, and that we even consent to the "shoving in process" necessary by reason of recent architectural developments and steel construction. That the cornerstone laying ceremony is not becoming obsolete may be attested by reference to cornerstone layings in many jurisdictions:

Only one cornerstone was laid in Alabama and that for a Masonic hall.

Arkansas is a jurisdiction which imposes certain restrictions; the lodge at Siloam Springs asked to lay the cornerstone of a new post office building, but unfortunately the stone was to be laid in the northwest corner and the inscription was limited to names of officials, the

All Clubs or Societies organized subsequent to 1910, meeting and functioning in this Grand Jurisdiction as Masons, or predicating their membership on Masonic Affiliation or relationship, or bearing the name "Masonic", or any name indicating, implying or suggesting Masonic connection or affiliation, are hereby interdicted and ordered to cease meeting and functioning as such Club or Society immediately on the publication of this Edict; and all members of Lodges working under the authority of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Florida are ordered to withdraw from any and all connection with any and all such Societies or Clubs, immediately on publication of this Edict; under penalty of charges and trial in their respective Lodges.

And it was approved by the Grand Lodge.

And we further find that the Florida Standards of Recognition are revised and liberalized. We further find that the Foreign Correspondence Report of 1938 was deemed unsatisfactory and was ordered "expunged from the record" as being offensive to certain Grand Lodges reviewed.

THE LAYING OF CORNERSTONES MASONICALLY SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED

The ceremony of laying a cornerstone with Masonic auspices is one which, when properly conducted, is capable of more Masonic inspiration than almost any similar occasion. It is a pity that there have grown up some limitations that are in the judgment of this writer senseless about such a ceremony in this state. We are sure that cornerstones should not be laid by this Grand Lodge in completed buildings; but we are also equally sure that it should not be required that the name of the presiding Grand Master shall go on the cornerstone. Also we are sure that if an occasion is of sufficient dignity for the Grand Lodge to lay such a cornerstone, the Grand Lodge should not require local people to pay the expenses of Grand Lodge officers to go and open the Grand Lodge for that purpose. As a matter of fact, this is now a requirement. We ought to abolish it or this scribe is mistaken.

tery. Only two cornerstones were laid in this jurisdiction, one a post office in Rockville, the other a public school building in Richmond.

A special communication of the Grand Lodge was called at Clemson, S. C., to lay the cornerstone of a new textile building. The historic Lafayette trowel was used. It is of note that President McKissick, in inviting the Grand Lodge to lay the cornerstone, referred to a resolution unanimously adopted by the Board of Trustees of the University of South Carolina directing the President of the University to arrange for the ceremonies and to invite the Grand Master of Masons to participate in the Masonic ceremonies. He added the unusual statement that although the University had been in existence one hundred thirty-three years, no building on its campus had a cornerstone.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION TO MASONIC HOME

There is a vague impression in the minds of some that the existence of a Masonic Home proves that a Mason thereby carries some sort of insurance against homeless old age. It is not certain that this impression is not given impetus by loose statements of Masonic orators upon occasions of great fervency. Hence in some states there have to be well-defined restrictions.

Then again, other Masonic bodies than Grand Lodges and Eastern Star Grand Chapters often are found to have contributed either sporadically or more or less regularly to the Homes—while not directly responsible for their support. Thus there are complications; their members feel that they have real rights with respect to them. This came to pass in Montana, and in the Proceedings of 1939, we find the following:

REGULATIONS FOR ADMISSION INTO THE HOME

All great charities and benefactions are subject to impositions, and your Masonic Home is no exception. Your Board has ever been ready and happy to extend the benefits of this fine home in accordance with the well known Masonic injunction of relief to poor, distressed Master Masons, their Widows and Orphans.

However some problems have arisen that convince us, the time has come when there must be a distinct and

Masonic fraternity not being mentioned, whereupon the Grand Master declared that "conditions were not in accord with the usual Masonic customs," and therefore declined to have anything to do with it.

In California the Grand Master has discovered:

"The laying of cornerstones in concrete buildings has become difficult to perform at the proper time and the ceremony is becoming such that I have hesitated to take part therein. I feel that if the ceremony cannot be properly performed it should not be done at all. Others may not share this opinion with me, but if we are to continue to place a slab of stone in a niche in a concrete wall and call it a cornerstone, we should at least change the wording of the ceremony to conform to the occasion."

The cornerstone of a new hall of government at George Washington University was laid by the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. The ceremony included an address by Dr. Cloyd Marvin, President of the University. The Grand Master said of this ceremony:

"Not within my memory has our Grand Lodge made so creditable a showing in public as it did at this ceremony. No brother participated who was not clothed as befitted the occasion. The correctness of this is attested by the favorable impression created on the large gathering which witnessed our rites and the many letters of appreciation later received. I urge my successors in office and our fraternity generally to give careful attention to the matter of their appearance on all public occasions. The prestige of Freemasonry can and will be lessened if we are careless in this respect."

A new angle is given the question of cornerstone laying by the Grand Lodge of Georgia, which overruled the Grand Master in his decision that a cornerstone of a church might not be lawfully laid on Sunday. The committee expressed its belief that the ruling should be modified and that such a cornerstone of a church, in which the ceremonies were participated in by the congregation, could be laid as a part of the divine services.

A local Indiana lodge inquired as to whether it, as a lodge, could lay a cornerstone and was informed that lodges might perform the ceremony, but that the Grand Master or his Deputy must be present to direct it. It appeared that some of the members of the local lodge believed if the cornerstone were to be laid by outside parties some representative of the Federal Government should receive the honor. The same Grand Lodge decided that lodges could have nothing to do with the dedication of any kind of a cornerstone in a Masonic section of a ceme-

the President of the Masonic Home Board, Judge E. C. Day, and the Grand Chapter, that the sum of \$5,000.00 held by that Body be transferred to the Trustees of the Masonic Home as a Trust Fund, the interest accumulating from this fund to be used toward the maintenance of the Home, but the principal of \$5,000.00 to be held by the Board as a Grand Chapter Fund; that Body reserving the right (quoting Grand Chapter proceedings 1926, page 46) "to revoke the resolution creating said fund, or desiring to terminate this agreement, the Home will redeliver to the Grand Chapter the securities in which the principal is invested, and shall then be discharged from all obligations hereunder. In that case the Home shall be entitled to receive and hold for its own use all interest money which has been received or accrued."

The Trustees of the Masonic Home in trying to clear up this matter found in the proceedings of the Grand Chapter of 1925, page 45 (quoting Judge Day), "I think the time has passed when anyone would ever feel that a Chapter member would not be so welcome, because we changed our resolutions so that a member of any one of the recognized or of the legitimate Masonic Bodies in the Jurisdiction of Montana is entitled to membership in the Home."

The Grand Chapter at their annual convocation held in Bozeman June 20th, 1939, passed a temporary resolution to receive final action next year, as follows:—"That in the meantime no demand or claim is made or any special rights for a Chapter member as such over and above a similar right held by any member of any other Masonic Body in Montana, other than as a Blue Lodge member; further that it is the desire of this Grand Chapter that the Trust Fund created by the agreement of July 16th, 1926, be held, carried and itemized in separate Trust Fund, and so reported by the Masonic Home board in its annual report." The printed report of the Masonic Home gives this Fund complete to date.

In view of the above action by the Grand Chapter, your Board of Trustees at their meeting of July 8th, 1939, adopted the following resolution:—"That only members of the Blue Lodges in the Jurisdiction of Montana, who have been in good standing for the preceding five years, a Mother, Wife or Widow of such a deceased member of a Blue Lodge, and a Lady member of the Order of the Eastern Star who has been in good standing for the preceding five years in a Chapter in the Jurisdiction of Montana, are eligible for membership in the Masonic Home of Montana."

legally correct position taken as to the administration of the Home that makes it clear that this Home is for Montana Blue Lodge Masons and their Widows, and Lady members of Montana Eastern Star Chapters, and that it is membership in those two organizations alone that is to determine the right of admission.

The original articles of the Corporation, providing as they do for a home "for aged, infirm or destitute Masons, their Wives, Widows and Orphans," clearly contemplated that it was a home for Masons and Eastern Star Ladies. Unfortunately, in the first set of rules governing admission to the Home, it was provided that, "The applicant must be a Master Mason in good standing in a Lodge or *other regular Masonic body* in Montana, or the Wife, Widow or Child of such." This was confirmed by the form first used for admission where it provided that the applicant should specify the "Lodge, Chapter, Commandery or Scottish Rite" of which he was a member, clearly contemplating that a membership in any one of those Bodies would entitle the applicant to admission. This error was carried forward in the rules adopted in 1929 (Grand Lodge Proceedings 1929, page 51) and is still on the application forms now in use.

This is not legally correct nor is it morally right, because this is a home created and sustained by the Blue Lodges and Eastern Star Chapters, not by the other Bodies, and a membership in a Blue Lodge or Eastern Star Chapter should be the vital requirement for admission.

Some years ago we found Masons transferring their membership to Montana Lodges for the sole purpose of getting into the Home, so the rule was passed requiring a five-year membership in Montana; then came the problem of some who had membership in Blue Lodges elsewhere, and a Montana membership in a Chapter or Scottish Rite, and lately has come the question of whether or not members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Mason fund, whose income we receive, are by reason of the fact alone entitled to admission.

Now, we feel this is a Blue Lodge and Ladies of the Eastern Star Home; that the members of those other Bodies who have no definite and followed plan of contribution should not be led to believe that their members can be admitted to the Home on those "other Masonic Body affiliations."

This year the question came up in a discussion in the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons about the Grand Chapter fund which we are administering.

On July 1, 1926, an agreement was entered into by

other alleged organizations from Mexico have invaded our jurisdiction and organized subordinate Lodges here. These will be specifically referred to later.

NEGRO MASONRY

The M. W. Prince Hall Grand Lodge: Your Committee has previously reported that this Grand Lodge was known as "The Most Worshipful Sovereign Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M." but in deference to our Grand Lodge changed its name to "The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge." It held its annual 1939 communication July 17-23 in the City of Oakland. A well attended session is reported. The financial difficulties which had involved their property near Tulare as a prospective home for aged members, appear to have been straightened out, and they have apparently recovered full control of this property and propose to proceed with the development of it.

This year they advance their grand officers. Theodore Moss of San Jose, who has been Grand Master for a number of years, retired, and Roscoe H. Broyles of Santa Monica was elected Grand Master; George Vaughins of Oakland, Deputy Grand Master; Ray Hunter of Fresno, Senior Grand Warden; J. C. Simms of Los Angeles, Junior Grand Warden; and Nathan Hardy of 845 Brockhurst Street, Oakland, Grand Secretary.

Roscoe H. Broyles is an old resident of Santa Monica, very well known and highly respected in that city, and has served the Masonic bodies of his rite for many years. Apparently it has not been the practice of the negro Grand Lodges to advance their grand officers each year.

M. W. Hiram of Tyre Grand Lodge: This Grand Lodge held its annual communication in Los Angeles on June 19, and all grand officers were present. At this meeting their Master, Brother J. P. Lea, of 1378 East 108th Street, Los Angeles, who had served for many years, retired, and the Rev. C. B. Terrance of 1358 East 42nd Place, Los Angeles, was elected Grand Master; F. W. Jingles of 1011 East 43rd Place, Los Angeles, Deputy Grand Master; John Cannon of 1961 "E" Street, Fresno, Grand Treasurer; S. C. Hannibal of 1651 "E" Street, Fresno, was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of San Joaquin Valley and Stockton. This Grand Lodge is recovering from its internal difficulties terminating in a law suit in 1935, and many indications now point to developing interest and growth. The two Lodges in the San Joaquin valley, to-wit, Raisin Center Lodge, No. 5, and Ezra Lodge No. 11 of Stockton, are meeting steadily and regularly, and we are informed initiating new members.

THE UNUSUAL IN CALIFORNIA

There are two unusual items in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of California. First, we wish to invite Superintendent Proctor and our North Carolina lodges to think about the following:

BOYS AND GIRLS TO SPEAK TO LODGES

The activities of the Masonic Homes Endowment Board have led to numerous requests for us to send older children to Lodge meetings, in order to bring the story of the Home to their membership. While we do not approve of the idea of making trained performers of our children, we have been glad to respond to these requests whenever possible. We usually send a boy and a girl, of high school age, and we try to send different ones each time. Their presentations, informal and unrehearsed, have been well received, and have been of value to the youngsters as experience in meeting people, and in public speaking. Moreover, they have brought back to the other children a better understanding of their relationship to Masons and Masonry.

We don't know how it worked except from what you see in the clipping, but there ought to be some good training in the use of these boys and girls to tell about the Masonic Orphanage.

The second is the report on Clandestine Freemasonry. It makes such a report as this every year. It tells about Negro, Mexican and Philippine Freemasonry—the latter two kinds being exclusively of the clandestine sort. No legitimate Mexican Grand Lodge is referred to; nor the regular Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands. We quote as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLANDESTINE MASONRY

To the M.·W.·Grand Lodge of California:

Your Committee on Clandestine Masonry begs leave to report as follows:

The members of the committee have been in close observation of the activities of the many irregular bodies previously reported as being active in California, as well as several new organizations. Generally speaking the old bodies are maintaining their existence with some slight changes. A new Grand Organization from New York State has chartered a Lodge in Los Angeles and certain

land, except a few scattered chapters fostered by Americans elsewhere.

Here are Reviewer Ray Denslow's gleanings about the Order, which may be interesting to some of our readers:

A lodge in New South Wales appealed to the Grand Lodge for the restoration to Masonic privileges of a Past Master of their lodge who had been suspended in 1936 for associating with the O. E. S. Having severed connection with the body mentioned, the board acceded to the request.

In South Australia the reviewer refers to conditions in Western Australia, where co-Masonry is "becoming a menace throughout Australia generally, and Western Australia is by no means free from it." We are informed that the Star of the East and the Order of the Eastern Star are making no headway in that territory.

The first entry in the proceedings of Alabama record the "visit of the ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star," the apparent assembling for the purpose of receiving a visit from the Grand Matron and her staff. A part of the program was an address by the Grand Patron, but we have searched the Grand Lodge proceedings for further evidence of his attendance at Grand Lodge and apparently his Masonry was of a female brand.

Although the Grand Master of Arizona recommended the discontinuance of joint installations, a committee on general policy believed that they should not be entirely discontinued.

Indiana received its usual greeting and basket of flowers from the sisters of the O. E. S. Lodges in that jurisdiction are urged to confine themselves to the use of Blue Lodge paraphernalia and costume, and not employ the uniforms of any other organizations.

At the opening of Grand Lodge in Iowa a Past Grand Patron introduced the Grand Matron of the O. E. S., and, after the usual basket of flowers she retired. The Grand Master accepted the basket, displaying a knowledge of the O. E. S. ritual which proved that he was one of their number. In the necrology report of that Grand Lodge, the committee lists the names of five Past Grand Patrons of other jurisdictions, and the *name of one Grand Matron.*

The Grand Master of Kentucky visited the Grand Chapter O. E. S. at a meeting honoring the memory of Past Grand Master Rob Morris of Kentucky, who was the founder of the Order of the Eastern Star.

We are informed that a new Lodge under this negro rite is to be instituted on Wednesday of this week in Santa Monica.

A movement appears to be on foot for the harmonizing of the differences which have for many years divided these two negro grand lodges.

FILIPINO MASONRY

The Grand Lodge Caballeros de Dimas-Alang. As previously reported, the Lodges of this organization represent twenty-five individual subordinate bodies. They are said to constitute the Masonic aristocracy among the Filipinos. Their name, "Dimas Alang," which is neither Spanish nor Tagalog, but is an idiomatic phrase meaning "Touch Me Not." It was first used as a pen name by Dr. Jose Rizal, a very distinguished Mason in Philippine history.

We are informed that the next tri-annual communication will be held in Sacramento in January of 1940. They issue a quarterly publication called "Dimas Alang, Inc.," of information for the benefit of their members. This organization is said to be in charge of the Philippine exhibit in the Philippine Building at the Fair. We have appended a complete list of their Lodges as appendix "A."

Legionarios Del Trabajo. As previously reported this is a very active Masonic grand body and it has taken a very firm hold upon the Filipinos residing in California. As previously stated, it was organized in 1925 in this State as a subordinate body under the Grand Lodge operating in the Philippine Islands. It is intensely patriotic and devoted to the cause of Philippine independence. Roque De La Isla is the Grand representative in California of the Filipino supreme bodies. They have labor, economic, political and social ideals and objectives.

THE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

That the Order of the Eastern Star is definitely with us, is a certainty. It suffered less by the depression years than the Grand Lodges suffered. It began showing losses later, and now there are many more Grand Chapters of the Eastern Star showing net gains than there are of Grand Lodges. There are many lodges in this state whose festive occasions have been made pleasant by them. It is interesting that in the British Empire there is not a great hospitality toward the Order. The membership is now around two million, all in North America and Scot-

Before the formal opening of North Dakota's Grand Lodge, "following a practice which began with the organization of the Grand Chapter O. E. S. in 1894, the Grand Lodge received the principal officers of the Grand Chapter O. E. S." They left their basket of roses. That there might be no question of the Masonic standing of the group, the National Sojourners were given the blessing of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

In Tennessee, the Grand Matron of the O. E. S. and her associate officers were introduced and the proceedings record "the Worthy Grand Matron responded and in a most charming manner expressed her pleasure at being able to *visit the Grand Lodge.*"

The Grand Master of Texas was asked whether it would be permissible for the Eastern Star chapter to hold a domino party occasionally in the lodge hall and, if so, could they have high and low prizes, could they invite a few friends, and was it all right to hold such parties for amusement only, inexpensive prizes being given for high and low. They were informed that such procedure could not be had since prizes were not permissible.

The Grand Master of Washington was given an unusual welcome while attending the Grand Chapter O. E. S. by being provided with an escort from the State Highway Patrol.

The Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was called off during which time the Grand Patron presented the Grand Matron of the O. E. S., who briefly addressed the members informally and retired.

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MASONIC REVIEWS

	Lodges	Members	TOTALS	
			Lodges	Members
Guatemala.....	10	300		
Peru.....	28	800		
Ecuador.....	8	300		
El Salvador: G. L. Cuscatlan.....	6	200		
Honduras.....	7	300		
Nicaragua.....	6	150		
Porto Rico.....	49	2,657		
Santo Domingo (Prov. Rec.).....	13	1,000		
Brazil:				
Amazonas E. Acre.....	24	1,701		
Bahia.....	22	3,000		
Pernambuco.....	15	400		
Rio de Janeiro.....	9	400		
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Total for Americas, Non-English Speaking.....			885	43,994
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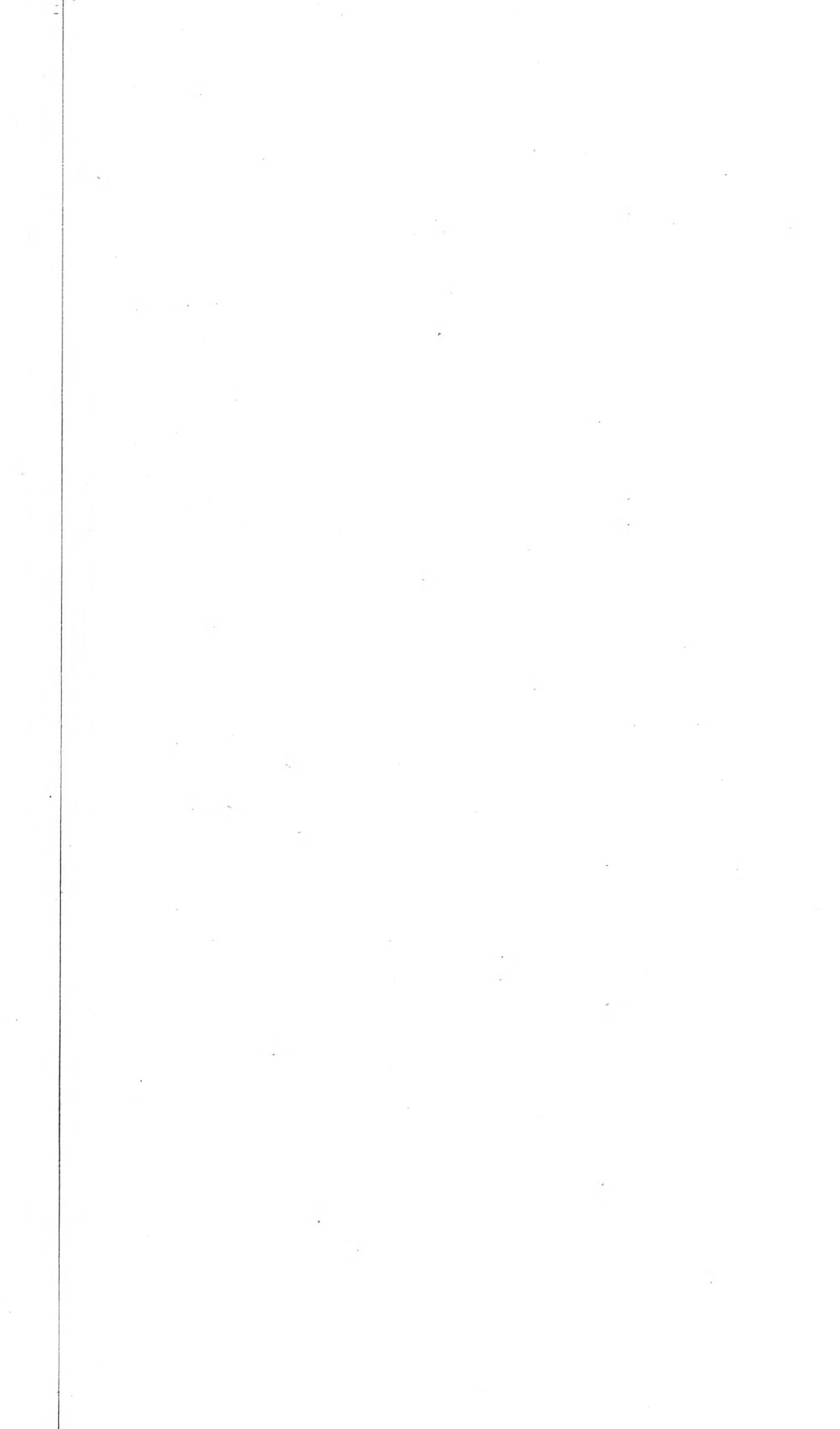
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(1) MASONRY RECOGNIZED BY NORTH CAROLINA

	Lodges	Members	Lodges	Members
			TOTALS	
A—ENGLISH SPEAKING GRAND LODGES:				
Continental United States of America.....	15,627	2,509,498		
The Philippine Islands.....	101	5,246		
Canada.....	1,340	171,520		
			16,068	2,686,264
British Isles (Estimates)				
England.....	5,060	400,000		
Scotland.....	830	245,000		
Ireland.....	700	50,000		
			6,590	695,000
Australia				
New South Wales.....	602	59,211		
New Zealand.....	302	25,490		
Queensland.....	357	17,773		
South Australia.....	157	13,432		
Tasmania.....	45	4,028		
Victoria.....	519	50,157		
Western Australia.....	150	9,797		
			2,132	179,888
Mexico: York Grand Lodge.....			15	731
Grand Total of 70 Grand Lodges Recognized Using English Language.....			24,804	2,935,683
B—OTHER MASONIC BODIES RECOGNIZED:				
The Americas				
MEXICO:				
Del Pacifico, Sonora				
Mexico, Valle de				
Grand Logia Benito Jaurez,				
Torreon, Coahuila				
Grand Logia Ind. Cosmos,				
Chihuahua, Chihuahua				
Gran Logia del Estado de Chiapas,				
Tapachula, Chiapas				
Grand Logia del Estado de Neuvo Leon,				
Monterey, N. L.				
Gran Logia El Potosi, San Luis Potosi, S.L.P.				
Gran Logia Unida Mexicana, Veracruz, Ver.				
Gran Logia Oriental Peninsular,				
Merida, Yuc.				
Gran Logia Occidental, Guadalajara				
Gran Logia de Tamaulipas, Tampico				
Estimated Total, Mexico.....	175	10,000		
Chile, Grand Lodge.....	66	3,500		
Cuba, Grand Lodge Isla de.....	189	8,697		
Costa Rica.....	6	274		
Panama.....	9	370		
Venezuela, U. S. of.....	30	750		
Uruguay.....	18	600		
Paraguay.....	10	350		
Argentine Republic.....	76	3,000		
Colombia:				
Baranquilla.....	12	745		
Bogota.....	8	200		
Cartagena.....	7	250		

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STATISTICAL TABLE OF MASONRY IN THE UNITED STATES

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			CAPITULAR			CRYPTIC			TEMP	
Number Master Masons Suspended, Excluded, Dropped, or Expelled, Last Masonic Year	Number Reinstatements Last Masonic Year Reported	Number of Deaths of Master Masons	Number of Chapters, R. A. M.	Number of Royal Arch Masons	Net Loss, Last Capitular Year Reported (Gain Starred)	Number of Councils, R. & S. M.	Number of Select Masters	Net Loss or Gain Last Cryptic Year Reported (Gains Are Starred)	Number Commanderies, K. T.	
1,989	1,955	566	50	3,396	222	19	871	129	26	2
179	57	95	11	787	19	6	360	18	7	
2,005	1,362	424	53	2,953	86	17	713	27	20	1
2,052	486	2,054	124	18,031	503	33	5,287	251	65	10
605	103	551	51	5,681	216	15	1,596	61	36	3
824	74	653	46	11,342	473	24	7,636	405	12	4
152	11	111	5	1,248	95	3	182	9	1	
538	176	338	16	4,400	159	6	958	47	6	2
866	488	376	40	2,978	127	20	760	49	31	2
1,522	759	836	100	5,892	71	64	1,742	17	33	2
203	66	161	23	1,839	58	6	494	0	15	1
6,030	1,022	3,554	227	40,125	2,798	78	10,264		84	18
2,162	551	1,741	115	21,614	692	74	11,618	389	60	8
1,441	887	1,188	101	11,401	402	24	3,404	122	65	6
1,913	962	1,047	95	10,627	442	19	2,716	126	59	7
1,723	816	765	101	7,660	1,527	46	1,666	517	36	3
822	579	350	53	4,001	139	12	798	26	17	
606	195	756	68	11,073	517	17	4,768	339	24	1
655	164	542	26	6,437	238	16	3,062	109	15	
1,282	183	2,096	97	26,229	1,532	36	8,186	556	47	1
2,590	648	2,001	155	24,085	1,536	47	5,289	445	53	
835	147	824	82	11,279	427	7	1,691	104	39	
1,849	1,283	368	50	2,911	56	38	1,647	6	26	
2,509	1,105	1,589	104	14,842	812	21	3,667	246	64	
335	171	333	35	3,047	112	10	576	9	23	
949	307	554	54	4,918	269	21	1,739	109	29	
52	20	63	8	523	27	4	117	3	6	
136	21	293	26	3,517	219	15	1,829	114	11	
2,062	288	1,304	57	10,366	962	15	1,882	151	29	
192	181	95	13	1,255	53	1	259	2	12	
887	1,322	5,115	223	37,811	2,527	48	7,143	460	76	1
864	381	480	38	3,190	170	24	1,082	57	30	
319	110	196	25	2,060	129	9	548	15	14	
4,004	1,870	2,855	204	48,417	1,580	97	26,319	1,027	79	1
2,878	1,413	714	62	5,697	218	25	208	54	43	
598	289	452	47	5,039	162	15	1,224	51	21	
2,439		3,444	152	36,470	1,931	37	8,320	427	96	
322	17	305	16	7,212	381	8	3,789	162	7	
2,101	1,648	321	28	1,554	145	37	1,157	64	15	
783	231	272	35	2,700	235	7	609	33	22	
1,001	389	588	74	5,243	196	15	1,172	*17	23	
4,733	4,430	1,460	235	19,270	547	257	17,270	640	81	
65	7	73	7	1,144	6	3	508	17	5	
264	24	334	29	3,955	154	14	1,162	39	14	
639	241	620	71	10,678	363	**			32	
1,121	286	771	53	5,783	286	17	1,658	59	27	
805	175	468	45	7,976	265	**			26	
996	539	880	108	17,358	742	31	5,566	422	47	
155	46	126	18	1,672	65	3	144	11	16	
64,052	28,485	45,132	3,456	497,686	24,891	1,361	163,656	7,924	1,625	2
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Arizona.....	39	5,477	103	123	122	54	Arizona
Arkansas.....	426	23,535	439	952	457	353	Arkansas
California.....	580	126,739	383	3,254	1,046	1,053	California
Colorado.....	147	29,637	437	647	207	238	Colorado
Connecticut.....	128	35,250	946	598	52	193	Connecticut
Delaware.....	22	5,188	162	83	17	10	Delaware
District of Columbia.....	47	20,141	291	451	154	166	District of Columbia
Florida.....	223	19,852	*4	649	359	252	Florida
Georgia.....	491	33,360	53	1,141	764	653	Georgia
Idaho.....	81	8,832	59	218	88	67	Idaho
Illinois.....	994	197,623	6,147	2,924	1,247	1,688	Illinois
Indiana.....	546	106,257	996	2,625	828	1,097	Indiana
Iowa.....	546	68,933	307	1,711	784	1,060	Iowa
Kansas.....	439	60,854	580	1,477	487	584	Kansas
Kentucky.....	512	42,289	503	1,200	420	443	Kentucky
Louisiana.....	253	20,681	*38	723	275	272	Louisiana
Maine.....	216	35,737	556	683	86	161	Maine
Maryland.....	121	29,391	564	516	77	135	Maryland
Massachusetts.....	329	101,613		1,572	1,536	896	Massachusetts
Michigan.....	511	112,241	1,712	2,599	245	223	Michigan
Minnesota.....	303	48,674	812	852	410	562	Minnesota
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Missouri.....	628	87,678	1,566	1,534	625	732	Missouri
Montana.....	135	17,807	*2	503	191	177	Montana
Nebraska.....	292	31,736	687	602	227	336	Nebraska
Nevada.....	26	3,076	*11	91	33	18	Nevada
New Hampshire.....	81	13,151	195	262	281	69	New Hampshire
New Jersey.....	281	75,497	1,991	1,254	244	412	New Jersey
New Mexico.....	54	6,004	*105	212	115	116	New Mexico
New York.....	1,036	262,484	6,583	5,241	736	922	New York
North Carolina.....	347	26,725	163	739	429	349	North Carolina
North Dakota.....	129	11,143	313	221	164	277	North Dakota
Ohio.....	623	173,318	1,380	3,896	668	955	Ohio
Oklahoma.....	461	45,544	1,114	1,114	532	581	Oklahoma
Oregon.....	172	24,206	117	627	215	185	Oregon
Pennsylvania.....	566	174,677	3,040	2,597	544	298	Pennsylvania
Rhode Island.....	43	15,639	463	163	200	53	Rhode Island
South Carolina.....	283	17,619	*171	955	325	335	South Carolina
South Dakota.....	175	14,478	584	317	184	264	South Dakota
Tennessee.....	447	36,091	246	1,039	347	432	Tennessee
Texas.....	892	98,445	*2,038	3,673	1,952	1,809	Texas
Utah.....	26	4,518	39	111	21	42	Utah
Vermont.....	103	16,592	316	334	67	139	Vermont
Virginia.....	333	39,215	147	952	298	379	Virginia
Washington.....	267	39,780	654	870	366	297	Washington
West Virginia.....	164	29,176	382	746	118	149	West Virginia
Wisconsin.....	310	51,888	472	1,032	400	530	Wisconsin
Wyoming.....	50	7,772	43	201	70	84	Wyoming
TOTAL.....	15,627	2,509,498	35,550	55,873	20,264	21,114	
			*2,705				

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MASONIC REVIEWS

	Lodges	Members	TOTALS	
			Lodges	Members
Guatemala.....	10	300		
Peru.....	28	800		
Ecuador.....	8	300		
El Salvador: G. L. Cuscatlan.....	6	200		
Honduras.....	7	300		
Nicaragua.....	6	150		
Porto Rico.....	49	2,657		
Santo Domingo (Prov. Rec.).....	13	1,000		
Brazil:				
Amazonas E. Acre.....	24	1,701		
Bahia.....	22	3,000		
Pernambuco.....	15	400		
Rio de Janeiro.....	9	400		
Sao Paulo.....	28	1,000		
Parahyba.....	5	200		
Minas Geraes.....	11	400		
Para.....	8	300		
Ceara.....	5	150		
Rio Grande Do Sul.....	25	2,000		
Total for Americas, Non-English Speaking			885	43,994
C—AFRICA:				
Egypt: National Grand Lodge of.....	63	2,000		
			63	2,000
D—EUROPE:				
Denmark, G. L. National.....	24	7,500		
Finland.....	5	254		
France, National Grand Lodge.....	29	1,034		
Greece.....	67	6,000		
Holland.....	151	8,092		
Norway, Grand Lodge.....	28	10,450		
Norway, Polarstjernen.....	5	800		
Sweden.....	51	23,480		
Switzerland.....	41	4,140		
* Total for Continental Europe.....			401	61,250
Total of Recognized Masonry, 120 Grand Lodges.....			26,153	3,043,427
Total for British Empire.....			10,061	1,046,408

END ASSOCIATED ORGANIZATIONS

Net Loss or Gain Last Year Reported	SCOTTISH RITE		SHRINE		ORDER EASTERN STAR			MASONRY CAROLINA Estimated dges Members
	Number Consistories	Number 32° Masons	Number Temples	Number Shriners	Number of Chapters O. E. S.	Number Eastern Star Members	Net Loss or Gain (Gains are Starred).	
98	3	2,278	3	4,533	181	9,153	75	Ala
19	1	1,439	1	801	36	5,102	17	Ari
73	2	3,474	2	2,188	170	9,938	*89	Ark
217	13	21,202	5	25,832	491	96,013	*459	Cal
123	3	4,906	2	3,667	122	20,879	98	Col
222	2	2,559	2	2,819	99	24,546	412	Con
54	1	1,568	---	---	14	1,620	5	Del
103	1	2,141	1	3,279	40	10,416	135	Dis
129	6	3,406	3	4,187	151	13,857	*277	Flo
75	5	3,061	3	3,913	111	7,362	610	Geo
7	4	1,470	2	1,475	70	7,392	*94	Ida
1,621	8	25,214	5	20,940	823	138,533	3,361	Ill
291	4	13,549	5	7,306	452	76,098	*336	Ind
258	5	9,144	4	7,947	540	65,076	259	Iow
301	7	13,196	5	8,390	389	54,206	6	Kan
183	2	2,392	4	3,170	238	17,368	4	Ker
56	3	3,533	2	2,737	163	12,452	216	Lou
330	1	3,314	2	3,421	188	29,991	301	Mar
106	2	2,656	2	3,555	102	12,063	249	Mar
826	2	7,249	2	11,444	207	48,367	1,561	Mar
413	4	13,477	4	8,688	459	73,577	1,004	Mich
153	4	7,833	3	7,923	285	42,714	561	Mir
25	5	2,191	2	2,413	182	8,720	*235	Mis
381	4	10,061	4	10,112	522	60,097	685	Mis
52	5	2,583	3	2,797	112	16,173	*251	Mo
106	4	5,272	3	3,659	259	29,994	259	Nev
4	1	841	1	829	21	2,906	*61	Nev
115	1	2,136	1	1,265	63	11,443	154	Nev
351	5	13,159	2	8,318	261	50,064	992	Nev
6	1	1,737	1	1,660	49	5,438	*116	Nev
1,103	11	22,273	10	21,965	846	117,025	1,485	Nev
128	5	2,873	2	3,243	107	5,924	*124	Nev
42	5	1,491	2	1,979	108	8,609	268	Nev
1,101	6	27,703	6	18,647	513	111,363	*100	Nev
119	2	10,033	3	3,854	355	31,888	3,234	Nev
*19	5	3,354	2	4,038	146	22,321	*34	Nev
1,276	11	62,327	7	41,363	481	78,154	972	Nev
218	1	1,751	1	2,167	24	7,088	170	Nev
132	2	777	2	1,052	75	3,675	*243	Nev
105	4	2,811	3	2,382	167	15,074	483	Nev
110	2	3,953	4	3,755	227	17,290	*325	Nev
191	6	13,184	10	17,918	584	50,085	*205	Nev
3	1	1,228	1	1,135	18	2,606	*36	Nev
128	1	1,119	2	1,720	93	10,914	155	Nev
89	6	3,880	3	5,193	97	9,731	*470	Nev
103	10	6,006	3	6,770	223	35,189	*149	Nev
118	2	4,967	3	6,533	110	14,565	*76	Nev
601	3	6,118	2	4,511	270	47,776	499	Nev
30	1	1,257	2	1,361	43	6,434	*47	Nev
12,334	193	364,146	147	318,851	11,287	1,557,269	18,230	
*19							*3,777	

STATISTICAL TABLE OF MASONRY IN THE UNITED STATE

Compiled by J. Edward Allen, Warrenton, N. C.

			CAPITULAR			CRYPTIC			TERRITORIAL
Number Master Masons Suspended, Excluded, Dropped, or Expelled, Last Masonic Year	Number Reinstatements Last Masonic Year Reported	Number of Deaths of Master Masons	Number of Chapters, R. A. M.	Number of Royal Arch Masons	Net Loss, Last Capitular Year Reported (Gain Starred)	Number of Councils, R. & S. M.	Number of Select Masters	Net Loss or Gain Last Cryptic Year Reported (Gains Are Starred)	Number Commanderies, K. T.
1,989	1,955	566	50	3,396	222	19	871	129	26
179	57	95	11	787	19	6	360	18	7
2,005	1,362	424	53	2,953	86	17	713	27	20
2,052	486	2,054	124	18,031	503	33	5,287	251	65
605	103	551	51	5,681	216	15	1,596	61	36
824	74	653	46	11,342	473	24	7,636	405	12
152	11	111	5	1,248	95	3	182	9	1
538	176	338	16	4,400	159	6	958	47	6
866	488	376	40	2,978	127	20	760	49	31
1,522	759	836	100	5,892	71	64	1,742	17	33
203	66	161	23	1,839	58	6	494	0	15
6,030	1,022	3,554	227	40,125	2,798	78	10,264		84
2,162	551	1,741	115	21,614	692	74	11,618	389	60
1,441	887	1,188	101	11,401	402	24	3,404	122	65
1,913	962	1,047	95	10,627	442	19	2,716	126	59
1,723	816	765	101	7,660	1,527	46	1,666	517	36
822	579	350	53	4,001	139	12	798	26	17
606	195	756	68	11,073	517	17	4,768	339	24
655	164	542	26	6,437	238	16	3,062	109	15
1,282	183	2,096	97	26,229	1,532	36	8,186	556	47
2,590	648	2,001	155	24,085	1,536	47	5,289	445	53
835	147	824	82	11,279	427	7	1,691	104	39
1,849	1,283	368	50	2,911	56	38	1,647	6	26
2,509	1,105	1,589	104	14,842	812	21	3,667	246	64
335	171	333	35	3,047	112	10	576	9	23
949	307	554	54	4,918	269	21	1,739	109	29
52	20	63	8	523	27	4	117	3	6
136	21	293	26	3,517	219	15	1,829	114	11
2,082	288	1,304	57	10,366	962	15	1,882	151	29
192	181	95	13	1,255	53	1	259	2	12
887	1,322	5,115	223	37,811	2,527	48	7,143	460	76
854	381	480	38	3,190	170	24	1,082	57	30
319	110	196	25	2,060	129	9	548	15	14
4,034	1,870	2,855	204	48,417	1,580	97	26,319	1,027	79
2,878	1,413	714	62	5,697	218	25	208	54	43
598	289	452	47	5,039	162	15	1,224	51	21
2,439		3,444	152	36,470	1,931	37	8,320	427	96
322	17	335	16	7,212	381	8	3,789	162	7
2,101	1,648	321	28	1,554	145	37	1,157	64	15
783	231	272	35	2,700	235	7	609	33	22
1,001	389	588	74	5,243	196	15	1,172	*17	23
4,733	4,430	1,460	235	19,270	547	257	17,270	640	81
65	7	73	7	1,144	6	3	508	17	5
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2	19	1	1,439	1	801	36	5,102	17	Ark	
3	73	2	3,474	2	2,188	170	9,938	*89	Ark	
4	217	13	21,202	5	25,832	491	96,013	*459	Cal ¹⁰	500
5	123	3	4,906	2	3,667	122	20,879	98	Col	
6	222	2	2,559	2	2,819	99	24,546	412	Con ⁹	250
7	54	1	1,568	---	---	14	1,620	5	Del	
8	103	1	2,141	1	3,279	40	10,416	135	Dis ⁸⁴	42,250
9	129	6	3,406	3	4,187	151	13,857	*277	Flo	
10	75	5	3,061	3	3,913	111	7,362	610	Gec	
11	7	4	1,470	2	1,475	70	7,392	*94	Ida ⁵⁰	6,000
12	1,621	8	25,214	5	20,940	823	138,533	3,361	Ill	
13	291	4	13,549	5	7,306	452	76,098	*336	Ind ⁷⁵	3,750
14	258	5	9,144	4	7,947	540	65,076	259	Iow	
15	301	7	13,196	5	8,390	389	54,206	6	Kar	
16	183	2	2,392	4	3,170	238	17,368	4	Ker	
17	56	3	3,533	2	2,737	163	12,452	216	Lou	
18	350	1	3,314	2	3,421	188	29,991	301	Ma	
19	106	2	2,656	2	3,555	102	12,063	249	Ma	
20	826	2	7,249	2	11,444	207	48,367	1,561	Ma	
21	413	4	13,477	4	8,688	459	73,577	1,004	Mic ⁸⁵	5,000
22	153	4	7,833	3	7,923	285	42,714	561	Mir	
23	25	5	2,191	2	2,413	182	8,720	*235	Mis ¹⁰	14,750
24	381	4	10,061	4	10,112	522	60,097	685	Mis	
25	52	5	2,583	3	2,797	112	16,173	*251	Mo ⁵⁹	98,500
26	106	4	5,272	3	3,659	259	29,994	259	Net ⁵³	3,043,427
27	4	1	841	1	829	21	2,906	*61	Nev ¹²	3,141,927
28	115	1	2,136	1	1,255	63	11,443	154	Nev	
29	351	5	13,159	2	8,318	261	50,084	992	Nev	on Masonry,
30	6	1	1,737	1	1,660	49	5,438	*116	Nev	nance to such
31	1,103	11	22,273	10	21,965	846	117,025	1,485	Nev	ho-Slovakia,
32	128	5	2,873	2	3,243	107	5,924	*124	Nor	from many
33	42	5	1,491	2	1,979	108	8,609	268	Nor	mates.
34	1,101	6	27,703	6	18,647	513	111,363	*100	Oh	
35	119	2	10,033	3	3,854	355	31,888	3,234	Ok	
36	*19	5	3,354	2	4,038	146	22,321	*34	Or	
37	1,276	11	62,327	7	41,363	481	78,154	972	Per	
38	218	1	1,751	1	2,167	24	7,088	170	Rh	
39	132	2	777	2	1,052	75	3,675	*243	Sov	
40	105	4	2,811	3	2,382	167	15,074	483	Sov	
41	110	2	3,953	4	3,755	227	17,290	*325	Te	
42	191	6	13,184	10	17,918	584	50,085	*205	Te	
43	3	1	1,228	1	1,135	18	2,606	*36	Ut	
44	128	1	1,119	2	1,720	93	10,914	155	Ve	
45	89	6	3,880	3	5,193	97	9,731	*470	Vir	
46	103	10	6,006	3	6,770	223	35,189	*149	Wa	
47	118	2	4,967	3	6,533	110	14,565	*76	We	
48	601	3	6,118	2	4,511	270	47,776	499	Wi	
49	30	1	1,257	2	1,361	43	6,434	*47	Wy	
50	12,334	193	364,146	147	318,851	11,287	1,557,269	18,230		
51	*19							*3,777		

TABLE 3—PERCENTAGE OF NET LOSS—GRAND LODGES

LOSSES

Rank:

1. New York	3.980
2. South Dakota	3.857
3. Delaware	3.029
4. Illinois	3.018
5. Rhode Island	2.875
6. Connecticut	2.612
7. New Jersey	2.569
8. Massachusetts	2.457
9. Nebraska	2.119
10. Vermont	1.870
11. Maryland	1.834
12. Arkansas	1.831
13. Arizona	1.828
14. Missouri	1.753
15. Pennsylvania	1.710
16. Minnesota	1.646
17. Washington	1.617
18. Maine	1.532
19. Michigan	1.503
20. Colorado	1.474
21. New Hampshire	1.464

Rank:

22. Dist. of Columbia	1.424
U. S. TOTAL	1.298
23. West Virginia	1.292
24. Kentucky	1.175
25. Indiana .....	.9837
26. Kansas .....	.9441
27. Wisconsin .....	.9015
28. Utah .....	.8553
29. Ohio .....	.7899
30. Tennessee .....	.6700
31. Idaho .....	.6616
32. Wyoming .....	.6138
33. North Carolina .....	.6062
34. Oregon .....	.4810
35. Iowa .....	.4566
36. Virginia .....	.3734
37. California .....	.3013
38. North Dakota .....	.2732
39. Oklahoma .....	.2387
40. Georgia .....	.1342

GAINS

1. Texas	2.146
2. New Mexico	1.749
3. South Carolina .....	.9801
4. Alabama .....	.9538
5. Mississippi .....	.2045

6. Louisiana .....	.1841
7. Nevada .....	.0357
8. Florida .....	.0202
9. Montana .....	.0112

SYNOPSIS OF MEMBERSHIP OF WORLD-WIDE MASONRY
(2) MASONRY NOT RECOGNIZED BY NORTH CAROLINA

	Estimated	
	Lodges	Members
A—EUROPE:		
France: Grand Orient.....	300	30,000
France: Grand Lodge.....	130	7,000
Luxembourg: Supreme Council.....	1	100
Belgium: Grand Orient.....	24	4,000
Denmark: Symbolic.....	5	200
Ukraine: Grand Lodge.....	5	200
Total for Europe.....	465	41,500
B—ASIA:		
Palestine—Syria.....	10	500
C—AFRICA:		
Liberia.....	9	250
Total Eastern Hemisphere.....	484	42,250
D—THE AMERICAS:		
South America:		
Brazil: Grand Orient.....	150	6,000
West Indies:		
Haiti: Grand Orient.....	75	3,750
Mexico:		
Gran Logia Guadalupe Victoria, Durango, Dgo.		
Gran Logia Restauracion, Villahermosa, Tab.		
Gran Logia de Campeche, Camp.		
Gran Logia del Distrito Norte de la Baja California		
Gran Logia del Estado de Oaxaca, Oaxaca, Oax.		
TOTAL OF MEMBERS IN GRAND LODGES NOT RECOGNIZED IN MEXICO (Estimated).....	85	5,000
Total in the Americas Not Recognized.....	310	14,750
Total for all Masonry Not Recognized by North Carolina (Estimated).....	1,259	98,500
Total of Recognized Masonry (Including Estimates).....	26,153	3,043,427
GRAND TOTAL OF Everything in These Tables.....	27,412	3,141,927

* NOTE: In countries whose governments have placed a ban on Masonry, or in which it has been proscribed, we have omitted all reference to such Grand Lodges in this Table. This includes Spain, Austria, Czecho-Slovakia, Turkey, Italy, Germany, Portugal and some others. Figures from many Grand Lodges in South and Central America are old or are Estimates.

TABLE 5—PERCENTAGE OF RAISINGS—GRAND LODGES

Rank:		Rank:	
1. South Carolina -----	5.420	26. Michigan -----	2.315
2. Arkansas -----	4.045	U. S. TOTAL -----	2.266
3. Mississippi -----	3.774	27. Dist. of Columbia ----	2.249
4. Texas -----	3.731	28. Ohio -----	2.248
5. New Mexico -----	3.530	29. Arizona -----	2.246
6. Louisiana -----	3.496	30. South Dakota -----	2.189
7. Florida -----	3.269	31. Washington -----	2.187
8. Illinois -----	2.995	32. Colorado -----	2.183
9. Nevada -----	2.958	33. Kansas -----	2.155
10. Alabama -----	2.938	34. Vermont -----	2.013
11. Georgia -----	2.899	35. New York -----	1.997
12. Tennessee -----	2.879	36. New Hampshire -----	1.992
13. Montana -----	2.841	37. North Dakota -----	1.983
14. Kentucky -----	2.837	38. Wisconsin -----	1.931
15. North Carolina -----	2.765	39. Maine -----	1.919
16. Oregon -----	2.590	40. Nebraska -----	1.897
17. Wyoming -----	2.586	41. Maryland -----	1.755
18. California -----	2.567	42. Minnesota -----	1.750
19. West Virginia -----	2.557	43. Missouri -----	1.749
20. Iowa -----	2.556	44. Connecticut -----	1.696
21. Indiana -----	2.470	45. New Jersey -----	1.661
22. Idaho -----	2.460	46. Delaware -----	1.600
23. Oklahoma -----	2.446	47. Massachusetts -----	1.547
24. Utah -----	2.457	48. Pennsylvania -----	1.487
25. Virginia -----	2.428	49. Rhode Island -----	1.042

TABLE 4—PERCENTAGE OF SUSPENSIONS
GRAND LODGES

Rank:		Rank:	
1. South Carolina ----	11.92	U. S. TOTAL ----	2.513
2. Mississippi -----	8.776	26. Oregon -----	2.470
3. Arkansas -----	8.519	27. Connecticut -----	2.338
4. Alabama -----	7.145	28. Ohio -----	2.310
5. Oklahoma -----	6.319	29. Michigan -----	2.308
6. South Dakota ----	5.408	30. Idaho -----	2.291
7. Texas -----	4.808	31. Maryland -----	2.229
8. Florida -----	4.362	32. Iowa -----	2.153
9. Kentucky -----	4.074	33. Rhode Island ----	2.060
10. Louisiana -----	3.975	34. Colorado -----	2.041
11. Georgia -----	3.867	35. Indiana -----	2.035
12. Arizona -----	3.268	36. Wyoming -----	2.009
13. North Carolina ----	3.233	37. Virginia -----	1.884
14. New Mexico -----	3.198	38. Wisconsin -----	1.823
15. Kansas -----	3.144	39. Montana -----	1.881
16. Illinois -----	3.051	40. Minnesota -----	1.715
17. Nebraska -----	2.990	41. Maine -----	1.695
18. Delaware -----	2.930	42. Nevada -----	1.691
19. North Dakota ----	2.863	43. Vermont -----	1.591
20. Missouri -----	2.862	44. California -----	1.588
21. Washington -----	2.818	45. Utah -----	1.439
22. Tennessee -----	2.774	46. Pennsylvania ----	1.396
23. West Virginia ----	2.759	47. Massachusetts ----	1.262
24. New Jersey -----	2.731	48. New Hampshire ---	1.034
25. Dist. of Columbia --	2.671	49. New York -----	.3379

TABLE 7—AVERAGE NUMBER OF MEMBERS PER LODGE

Rank:

1. Dist. of Columbia -----	429
2. Rhode Island -----	364
3. Massachusetts -----	309
3. Pennsylvania -----	309
5. Ohio -----	278
6. Connecticut -----	275
7. New Jersey -----	269
8. New York -----	253
9. Maryland -----	243
10. Delaware -----	236
11. Michigan -----	220
12. California -----	219
13. Colorado -----	202
14. Illinois -----	199
15. Indiana -----	195
16. West Virginia -----	178
17. Utah -----	174
18. Wisconsin -----	167
19. Maine -----	165
20. New Hampshire -----	162
21. Vermont -----	161
21. Minnesota -----	161
UNITED STATES ---	161
23. Wyoming -----	155
24. Washington -----	149

Rank:

25. Oregon -----	141
26. Missouri -----	140
26. Arizona -----	140
28. Kansas -----	139
29. Montana -----	132
30. Iowa -----	123
31. Nevada -----	118
31. Virginia -----	118
33. New Mexico -----	111
34. Texas -----	110
35. Idaho -----	109
35. Nebraska -----	109
37. Oklahoma -----	99
38. Florida -----	89
39. North Dakota -----	86
40. South Dakota -----	83
40. Kentucky -----	83
42. Louisiana -----	82
43. Tennessee -----	81
44. Georgia -----	80
45. North Carolina -----	77
46. Mississippi -----	66
47. Alabama -----	64
48. South Carolina -----	62
49. Arkansas -----	55

TABLE 6—MORTALITY TABLE GRAND LODGES

Rank:		Rank:	
1. New Hampshire -----	22.27	U. S. TOTAL -----	17.98
2. Tennessee -----	21.39	26. Illinois -----	17.98
3. Georgia -----	21.24	27. North Carolina -----	17.96
4. Maine -----	21.15	28. Michigan -----	17.82
5. Massachusetts -----	20.63	29. Iowa -----	17.75
6. Nevada -----	20.48	30. Mississippi -----	17.47
7. Alabama -----	20.33	31. Nebraska -----	17.46
8. Vermont -----	20.13	32. Arizona -----	17.35
9. Pennsylvania -----	19.72	33. New Jersey -----	17.27
10. Colorado -----	19.68	34. Kansas -----	17.20
11. Rhode Island -----	19.50	35. Wisconsin -----	16.96
12. New York -----	19.46	36. Louisiana -----	16.93
13. Washington -----	19.38	36. Minnesota -----	16.93
14. Florida -----	18.94	38. Ohio -----	16.47
15. South Dakota -----	18.79	39. Indiana -----	16.38
16. Montana -----	18.70	40. Tennessee -----	16.29
17. Oregon -----	18.67	41. Wyoming -----	16.21
18. Connecticut -----	18.52	41. California -----	16.21
19. Maryland -----	18.44	43. Utah -----	16.16
20. Dist. of Columbia ---	18.27	44. West Virginia -----	16.04
21. South Carolina -----	18.22	45. New Mexico -----	15.82
22. Idaho -----	18.17	46. Virginia -----	15.81
23. Missouri -----	18.12	47. Oklahoma -----	15.68
24. Kentucky -----	18.01	48. Texas -----	14.83
24. Arkansas -----	18.01	49. North Dakota -----	12.14

TABLE 9—PERCENTAGE OF MASTER MASONS THAT ARE
32° SCOTTISH RITE MASONS

Rank:		Rank:	
1. Pennsylvania	35.3	25. Iowa	13.7
2. New Mexico	29.7	26. North Dakota	13.4
3. Nevada	27.3	26. Texas	13.4
4. Utah	27.1	28. Indiana	12.8
5. Arizona	26.3	28. Illinois	12.8
6. Oklahoma	22.0	30. Michigan	12.0
7. Kansas	21.7	31. Wisconsin	11.8
8. South Dakota	19.4	32. Missouri	11.5
9. New Jersey	17.4	33. Rhode Island	11.2
10. Florida	17.2	34. Tennessee	11.0
11. Louisiana	17.1	35. North Carolina	10.8
12. West Virginia	17.0	36. District of Columbia	10.6
13. California	16.7	37. Mississippi	10.4
14. Nebraska	16.6	38. Virginia	9.9
15. Colorado	16.5	39. Maine	9.3
16. Wyoming	16.2	40. Maryland	9.0
16. New Hampshire	16.2	41. New York	8.5
18. Minnesota	16.1	42. Alabama	8.2
19. Idaho	16.0	43. Georgia	7.8
19. Ohio	16.0	44. Connecticut	7.3
21. Washington	15.1	45. Massachusetts	7.1
22. Arkansas	14.8	46. Vermont	6.7
UNITED STATES	14.5	47. Kentucky	5.7
23. Montana	14.5	48. South Carolina	4.4
24. Oregon	13.9	49. Delaware	3.0

TABLE 8—PERCENTAGE OF MASTER MASONS THAT ARE
ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Rank:		Rank:	
1. Rhode Island	46.12	25. Louisiana	19.35
2. Wisconsin	33.45	26. Colorado	19.16
3. Connecticut	32.18	27. South Dakota	18.65
4. Maine	30.98	28. North Dakota	18.49
5. West Virginia	27.34	29. Kentucky	18.11
6. Virginia	27.23	30. Kansas	17.46
7. Ohio	27.02	31. Montana	17.11
8. New Hampshire	26.74	32. Iowa	17.03
9. Massachusetts	25.81	33. Nevada	17.00
10. Utah	25.32	34. Missouri	16.93
11. Delaware	24.05	35. Nebraska	15.50
12. Vermont	23.84	36. Florida	15.00
13. Minnesota	23.20	37. Georgia	14.97
14. Maryland	21.90	38. Washington	14.54
15. Dist. of Columbia	21.85	39. Tennessee	14.53
16. Wyoming	21.51	40. New York	14.41
17. Michigan	21.46	41. Arizona	14.37
18. New Mexico	20.90	42. California	14.23
19. Pennsylvania	20.88	43. Mississippi	13.82
20. Oregon	20.82	44. New Jersey	13.73
21. Idaho	20.75	45. Arkansas	12.55
22. Indiana	20.34	46. Oklahoma	12.51
23. Illinois	20.30	47. Alabama	12.20
UNITED STATES	19.83	48. North Carolina	11.94
24. Texas	19.57	49. South Carolina	8.820

TABLE 11—PERCENTAGE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR TO ROYAL
ARCH MASONS

Rank:		Rank:	
1. New Mexico -----	79.12	26. Maryland -----	50.80
2. Utah -----	72.38	27. Maine -----	50.48
3. Pennsylvania -----	70.69	28. Kentucky -----	50.34
4. North Carolina -----	70.25	29. Nebraska -----	49.21
5. Alabama -----	70.20	UNITED STATES --	49.17
6. Florida -----	69.11	30. Minnesota -----	48.14
7. Kansas -----	67.47	31. New York -----	47.94
8. Wyoming -----	65.01	32. Texas -----	47.76
9. South Dakota -----	64.00	33. Oregon -----	47.15
10. Oklahoma -----	63.82	34. Dist. of Columbia -----	46.77
11. South Carolina -----	61.78	35. Massachusetts -----	46.04
12. North Dakota -----	59.22	36. Illinois -----	45.33
13. Arizona -----	58.58	37. Georgia -----	44.40
14. Washington -----	57.20	38. Rhode Island -----	43.12
15. California -----	56.79	39. Arkansas -----	41.99
16. Nevada -----	56.60	40. Wisconsin -----	41.25
17. Idaho -----	56.12	41. Ohio -----	40.91
18. Colorado -----	55.20	42. Tennessee -----	40.85
19. Vermont -----	54.96	43. Virginia -----	39.75
20. West Virginia -----	54.50	44. New Jersey -----	39.08
21. Iowa -----	53.86	45. Michigan -----	38.41
22. Mississippi -----	53.07	46. Connecticut -----	37.44
23. Montana -----	52.64	47. Indiana -----	37.36
24. New Hampshire -----	52.14	48. Delaware -----	30.60
25. Missouri -----	50.94	49. Louisiana -----	29.54

TABLE 10—PERCENTAGE ROYAL ARCH MASONS THAT
ARE ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS

Rank:		Rank:	
1. Texas	89.62	25. Idaho	26.86
2. South Carolina	74.45	26. North Dakota	26.60
3. Connecticut	67.32	27. Alabama	25.65
4. Mississippi	56.68	28. Illinois	25.58
5. Ohio	54.36	29. Florida	25.52
6. Indiana	53.75	30. Missouri	24.71
7. Rhode Island	52.54	31. Oregon	24.39
8. New Hampshire	52.00	32. Arkansas	24.14
9. Maryland	47.57	33. Pennsylvania	22.81
10. Arizona	45.74	34. South Dakota	22.55
11. Utah	44.41	35. Nevada	22.37
12. Maine	43.06	36. Tennessee	22.35
UNITED STATES	37.95	37. Michigan	21.95
13. Oklahoma	36.51	38. Dist. of Columbia	21.80
14. Kansas	35.45	39. Kentucky	21.75
15. Nebraska	35.36	40. New Mexico	20.64
16. North Carolina	33.92	41. Louisiana	19.94
17. Wisconsin	32.07	42. New York	18.99
18. Massachusetts	31.21	43. Montana	18.90
19. Iowa	29.86	44. New Jersey	18.21
20. Georgia	29.57	45. Virginia	
21. Vermont	29.38	46. Minnesota	14.99
22. California	29.32	47. West Virginia	
23. Washington	28.67	48. Delaware	14.58
24. Colorado	28.09	49. Wyoming	8.612

TABLE NO. 13—PERCENTAGE OF MASTER MASONS THAT
ARE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

Rank:

1. Virginia	23.47
2. Rhode Island	19.89
3. Utah	18.33
4. New Mexico	16.54
5. Maine	15.64
6. West Virginia	14.90
7. Pennsylvania	14.76
8. Wyoming	13.99
9. New Hampshire	13.95
10. Wisconsin	13.80
11. Vermont	12.91
12. Connecticut	12.05
13. South Dakota	11.94
14. Massachusetts	11.88
15. Kansas	11.78
16. Idaho	11.65
17. Ohio	11.43
18. Minnesota	11.16
19. Maryland	11.13
20. North Dakota	10.95
21. Colorado	10.58
22. Florida	10.37
23. Dist. of Columbia	10.22
24. Oregon	9.816
U. S. TOTAL	9.747

Rank:

25. Nevada	9.623
26. Texas	9.350
27. Delaware	9.291
28. Illinois	9.204
29. Iowa	9.175
30. Kentucky	9.118
31. Montana	9.008
32. Missouri	8.624
33. Alabama	8.563
34. Arizona	8.417
35. North Carolina	8.385
36. Washington	8.316
37. California	8.080
38. Oklahoma	7.983
39. Michigan	7.558
40. Mississippi	7.334
41. Nebraska	7.625
42. Indiana	7.599
43. New York	6.906
44. Georgia	6.646
45. Tennessee	5.935
46. Louisiana	5.715
47. South Carolina	5.449
48. New Jersey	5.366
49. Arkansas	5.269

TABLE 12—MORTALITY TABLE ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Rank:		Rank:	
	U. S. TOTAL ----- 45.81	25.	Minnesota ----- 22.08
1.	Nevada ----- 34.42	26.	Washington ----- 21.96
2.	New Hampshire ----- 31.85	27.	Missouri ----- 21.83
3.	Delaware ----- 28.85	28.	Indiana ----- 21.75
4.	Arizona ----- 27.95	29.	Kentucky ----- 21.27
5.	Pennsylvania ----- 27.83	30.	Georgia ----- 21.04
6.	Colorado ----- 27.81	31.	Utah ----- 20.98
7.	South Dakota ----- 27.78	32.	West Virginia ----- 20.69
8.	Vermont ----- 26.55	33.	Illinois ----- 20.56
9.	New Jersey ----- 26.43	34.	Wisconsin ----- 20.39
10.	New York ----- 26.16	35.	Ohio ----- 19.72
11.	Massachusetts ----- 25.77	36.	Nebraska ----- 19.52
12.	Arkansas ----- 25.06	37.	Rhode Island ----- 19.27
13.	Dist. of Columbia --- 25.00	38.	Maryland ----- 19.26
14.	Michigan ----- 24.70	39.	Texas ----- 18.68
15.	Montana ----- 24.61	40.	Oklahoma ----- 18.07
16.	Alabama ----- 23.85	41.	North Carolina ----- 17.87
17.	Florida ----- 23.84	42.	Tennessee ----- 17.36
18.	California ----- 23.63	43.	Mississippi ----- 17.18
19.	Oregon ----- 23.02	44.	Wyoming ----- 16.75
20.	North Dakota ----- 22.82	44.	Louisiana ----- 16.75
21.	Iowa ----- 22.72	46.	Virginia ----- 15.55
22.	Maine ----- 22.67	47.	South Carolina ----- 14.80
23.	Kansas ----- 22.58	48.	New Mexico ----- 14.34
24.	Connecticut ----- 22.48	49.	Idaho ----- 13.92

TABLE 15—PERCENTAGE OF MASTER MASONS THAT
ARE SHRINERS

Rank:		Rank:	
1. New Mexico -----	27.65	25. North Carolina ----	12.13
2. Nevada -----	26.95	26. Maryland -----	12.10
3. Utah -----	25.12	27. Iowa -----	11.87
4. Pennsylvania -----	23.68	28. Missouri -----	11.53
5. West Virginia -----	22.39	28. Nebraska -----	11.53
6. Florida -----	21.09	30. Mississippi -----	11.45
7. California -----	20.38	31. Massachusetts -----	11.26
8. Texas -----	18.20	32. New Jersey -----	11.01
9. North Dakota -----	17.76	33. Ohio -----	10.76
10. Wyoming -----	17.51	34. Illinois -----	10.60
11. Washington -----	17.02	35. Tennessee -----	10.40
12. Oregon -----	16.68	36. Vermont -----	10.37
13. Idaho -----	16.64	37. Georgia -----	9.942
14. South Dakota -----	16.45	38. New Hampshire ----	9.62
15. Minnesota -----	16.28	39. Maine -----	9.573
15. Alabama -----	16.28	40. Arkansas -----	9.297
15. Dist. of Columbia---	16.28	41. Wisconsin -----	8.694
18. Montana -----	15.71	42. Oklahoma -----	8.462
19. Arizona -----	14.62	43. New York -----	8.368
20. Rhode Island -----	13.86	44. Connecticut -----	7.997
21. Kansas -----	13.79	45. Michigan -----	7.740
22. Virginia -----	13.24	46. Kentucky -----	7.496
23. Louisiana -----	13.23	47. Indiana -----	6.876
UNITED STATES--	12.71	48. South Carolina -----	5.971
24. Colorado -----	12.37	49. Delaware -----	.000

TABLE 14—MORTALITY TABLE—KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

Rank:		Rank:	
1. Delaware	45.64	25. Louisiana	26.23
2. New Hampshire	33.80	25. North Dakota	26.23
3. Colorado	32.84	27. California	25.68
4. New Jersey	32.09	28. Dist. of Columbia	24.30
5. Connecticut	31.32	29. Arizona	23.86
6. Massachusetts	30.89	30. Arkansas	23.39
7. Rhode Island	30.87	31. Washington	23.28
8. Michigan	30.70	32. Wisconsin	23.04
9. Illinois	30.51	33. Minnesota	22.65
10. South Carolina	30.21	34. West Virginia	22.54
11. New York	29.40	35. Kansas	22.45
12. Montana	28.68	36. Tennessee	22.41
13. Alabama	28.52	37. Oklahoma	22.28
14. Oregon	28.20	38. North Carolina	21.42
15. Missouri	28.17	39. Maryland	21.10
16. Nebraska	28.10	40. Georgia	21.02
17. Ohio	28.01	41. Mississippi	20.71
U. S. TOTAL	27.92	42. Texas	20.10
18. Maine	27.73	43. Virginia	19.79
19. Pennsylvania	27.42	44. Wyoming	19.32
20. South Dakota	27.20	45. Idaho	17.44
21. Indiana	27.12	46. Utah	14.49
22. Nevada	27.03	47. New Mexico	11.08
23. Florida	26.72	48. Kentucky	9.54
24. Iowa	26.54		

NOTE: These figures are too small to reflect anything definite; therefore the average age is not shown.

TABLE 17—CANADIAN STATISTICS

GRAND LODGES Canada	Number of Lodges Shown by Latest Available Report	Number of Master Masons	Net Loss in Last Ma- sonic Year Reported (Gain Starred)	Number of Raisings	Number of Affiliations	Number of Deductions	Number Master Ma- sons Suspended, Ex- cluded, Dropped, or Expelled Last Ma- sonic Year	No. Reinstatements Last Masonic Year Reported	Number Deaths of Master Masons
1. Alberta.....	115	10,897	158	212	131	255	232	82	124
2. British Columbia.....	117	13,627	101	310	162	192	222	56	217
3. Manitoba.....	105	10,413	245	181	115	181	265	56	157
4. New Brunswick.....	44	5,319	27	142	29	30	79	11	75
5. Nova Scotia.....	84	8,492	154	211	64	96	251	60	142
6. Ontario.....	568	95,462	1,696	2,008	542	1,095	1,952	368	1,516
7. Prince Edward Island.....	16	1,075	9	39	5	15	26	6	18
8. Quebec.....	93	13,868	128	349	44	130	189	31	233
9. Saskatchewan.....	198	12,367	144	265	116	228	189	54	120
TOTAL.....	1,340	171,520	2,662	3,717	1,208	2,222	3,405	724	2,602

TABLE 16—PERCENTAGE RELATION, EASTERN STARS
TO MASONS

Rank:		Rank:	
1. South Dakota -----	104.1	26. New Jersey -----	66.3
2. Iowa -----	97.2	27. Vermont -----	65.8
3. Nebraska -----	94.5	28. Michigan -----	65.6
4. Nevada -----	94.4	29. Ohio -----	64.3
5. Arizona -----	93.2	UNITED STATES-----	62.1
6. Oregon -----	92.2	30. Louisiana -----	60.2
7. Wisconsin -----	92.1	31. Utah -----	59.0
8. Montana -----	90.8	32. Dist. of Columbia----	51.7
9. New Mexico -----	90.6	33. Texas -----	50.9
10. Kansas -----	89.1	34. West Virginia -----	49.9
11. Washington -----	88.5	35. Tennessee -----	47.9
12. Minnesota -----	87.8	36. Massachusetts -----	47.6
13. New Hampshire -----	87.0	37. Rhode Island -----	45.3
14. Maine -----	83.9	38. Pennsylvania -----	44.7
15. Wyoming -----	87.8	39. New York -----	44.6
16. Idaho -----	83.4	40. Arkansas -----	42.2
17. North Dakota -----	77.3	41. Mississippi -----	41.4
18. California -----	75.8	42. Kentucky -----	41.1
19. Indiana -----	71.6	43. Maryland -----	41.0
20. Colorado -----	70.5	44. Alabama -----	32.9
21. Illinois -----	70.1	45. Delaware -----	31.2
22. Oklahoma -----	70.0	46. Virginia -----	24.8
23. Florida -----	69.8	47. North Carolina -----	22.2
24. Connecticut -----	69.6	48. South Carolina -----	20.9
25. Missouri -----	68.6	49. Georgia -----	18.7

